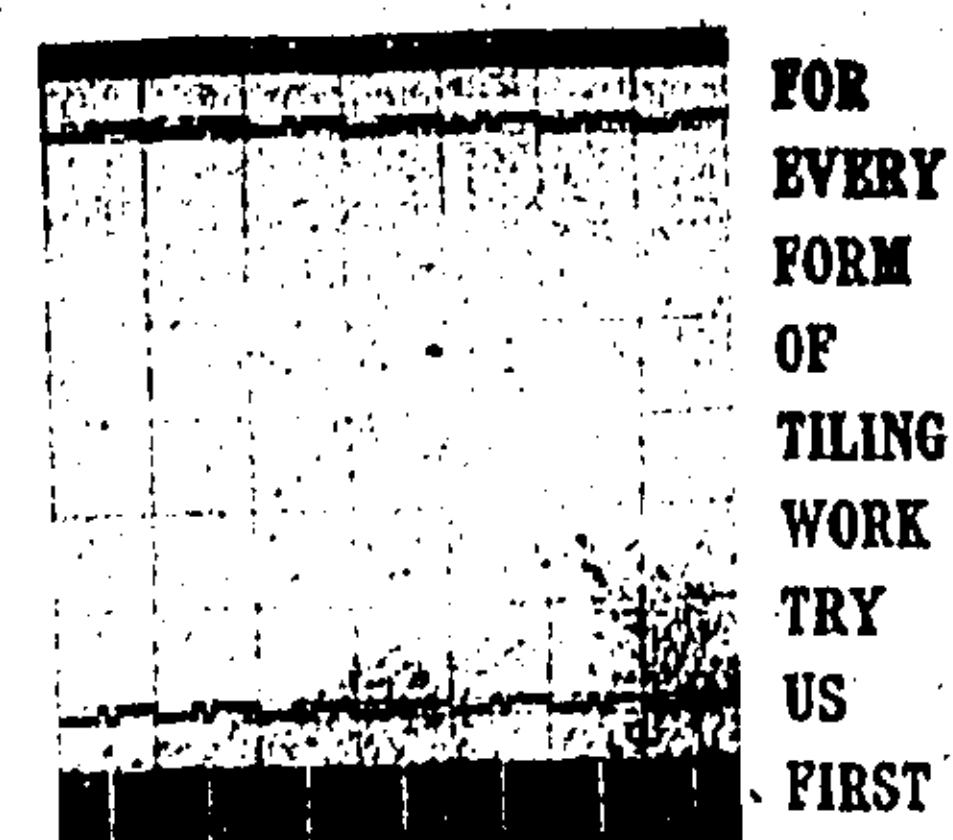




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A PARTY FEUD BEHIND CANTON MURDER.

LATER DETAILS OF THE OUTRAGE.

DIRECTOR SHOT DEAD IN HIS OFFICE.

WOMAN TERRIFIED.

Quite a different story is revealed by special enquiries, following the murder in Canton on Tuesday evening of a high official of the Indo-China Branch of the Kuomintang. It now appears that the shooting was done by another official of the organisation and that it occurred in the headquarters office.

The crime is attributed to a long-standing feud between rival sections of the propaganda department of the Kuomintang in Indo-China, and the four arrests reported to have been made were in connexion with this feud. The alleged murderer is not numbered among the persons in custody, who include a woman.

First reports stated that the assassination took place in Hung Tak Sun Street, being carried out by four hired gunmen.

Colleague's Crime.

It now appears that the murder took place at the Canton office of the Indo-China Kuomintang, at No. 8, Hung Tak Sun Street.

The victim, Mr. Tze Sheung-mui, who was a native of Haiphong, and who arrived in Canton only a few weeks ago, accompanied by the alleged assassin and other high officials of the organisation in Indo-China, was working at the office at 6.15 p.m. on Tuesday when he was visited by his colleague.

Some sort of argument followed, though two lady workers in the room, who were eye-witnesses of the tragedy, are unable to say exactly what it was about, and the visitor suddenly drew a revolver and fired four shots at Mr. Tze at close range.

Killed Instantly.

All four shots were effective and Mr. Tze dropped dead with scarcely a sound, his assassin fleeing from the building before the two women had recovered sufficiently from their terror and the shock to raise the alarm.

The police were quickly on the scene after they had been informed and before the evening was out, four arrests had been effected. The assassin, who is quite well-known, is still at liberty, however, though the police hope to discover his place of refuge shortly.

Long-standing Quarrel.

Enquiries of other members of the Indo-China Kuomintang reveal a long-standing quarrel between the assassin and his victim, originating in Haiphong. Both are said to have been members of the Executive Committee while the victim was concurrently chief of the propaganda department. The cause of the dispute is a matter largely of conjecture.

Mr. Tze Sheung-mui was an exceedingly popular member of the Kuomintang Party and had been highly complimented by his superiors for his work in Indo-China. He was only 26 years of age.

"LUCIA" INCIDENT.

MOVEMENT OF WARCRRAFT NOT AFFECTED.

London, Jan. 7. It has been decided that the cruiser, H.M.S. Norfolk, and the "L" Class submarines are to depart for Lisbon to-morrow with the Atlantic Fleet.

A previous report suggested that the Norfolk might not be able to leave, as her Captain is one of the members of the Court of Inquiry into the Lucia incident, and that the "L" Class submarine, of which the Lucia is a depot ship, might also be unable to leave Plymouth, to join the Atlantic Fleet on its Spring cruise.—*Reuter*.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT RESUMED.

"TRADE WIND" LANDS AT BERMUDA.

EARLY ADVENTURES.

Hampton Roads, Jan. 7.

Lieut. W. MacLaren and Mrs. Beryl Hart resumed their trans-Atlantic flight in the amphibian "Trade Wind" to-day, heading for Bermuda, where they will re-fuel before setting out for the Azores, their second place of call.

It is revealed that they must have been within fifty miles of Bermuda on Sunday when they started out from Long Island. The whole journey is only 350 miles, while in turning back and landing at Hampton Roads, the fliers covered at least 1,500 miles. The petrol supply was then practically exhausted and they could not have flown many miles further.

The plane is carrying two hundred pounds of tinned food as cargo, the object of the flight being to demonstrate that regular commercial aeroplane flights between America and Europe, via Bermuda and the Azores are possible.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Bermuda, Jan. 7.

The Hart-MacLaren plane "Trade Wind" has arrived and is re-fueling. The fliers propose to continue their flight to-morrow, heading for the Azores.—*Reuter*.

THE SOUTH WALES COAL DISPUTES.

POINT AT ISSUE NOW NARROWED.

London, Jan. 7.

Hopes of peace in the South Wales coalfields at present centre in the conversations between the owners and the men's leaders which began to-day in the presence of Mr. W. Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. E. Shinwell, the Mines Secretary.

The Conference has adjourned and the Ministers will not attend the resumed meeting but will be available for consultation.

An official statement says that the points at issue have been definitely narrowed, and if the joint meeting agrees, the dispute will be again referred to the Conciliation Board and the negotiations for settlement should have a favourable result.—*British Wireless*.

KOWLOON ROBBERY SEQUEL.

PORTUGUESE CHARGED ON TWO COUNTS.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, there was a sequel to the robbery with violence on Monday last of a Japanese manicurist, Mrs. S. Nishio, of 58, Haiphong Road, Kowloon, when Anastacio dos Remedios Marques, a Portuguese, appeared before Mr. Butters.

Accused was charged with robbing Mrs. Nishio of \$119 in money, a silver watch, a silk purse, a Japanese chop and a key, the total value being \$129.50.

A further charge against the accused was the use of personal violence during the robbery.

On the application of Sub-Inpector Rozesky, the accused was formally remanded for one week.

CHINA'S INTERNAL PROBLEMS.

MINISTER OUTLINES PLANS FOR THIS YEAR.

Nanking, Jan. 7.

At a reception given to Chinese newspaper correspondents to-day, the newly-elected Minister of Home Affairs, Mr. Liu Hsiang-ching, outlined the policy of his department for the coming year. He laid stress on the continuation of anti-bandit expeditions, the revision of the existing system for the examination of Chinese Magistrates in the various districts, and the organisation of a census in all Provinces.

CANTON AMBITION FOR 1931.

STATEMENT BY CHAN MING-SHU.

COMMENDABLE PROGRAMME OF DEVELOPMENT.

ABOLITION OF LIKIN.

Canton, Jan. 7. In the course of a lengthy statement yesterday, General Chan Ming-shu, Chairman of the Provincial Government, outlined the policy to be adopted this year in dealing with Kwangtung's problems. His review covered all aspects of provincial administration. He indicated that Nanking's instructions for the abolition of likin would be complied with, and that the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway, the Chungshan Port, the Pearl River bridge, the inland port and the reclamation of Canton Bund would all be completed.

The following is a resume of General Chan's statement:

Civil Affairs.

Adjustment of Police Administration:—To increase the number of police to be posted in each district, city and town throughout the province; to convert the troops at the magistracies and the local garrisons into police; and to appropriate a sum from the Provincial Treasury to meet the police expenses of those districts where local receipts are insufficient.

Purification of Administration:—To weed out official corruption; and to establish an "official training organ."

Increase of Expenses in the Magistracy and City Government:—To employ capable officials so as to accomplish all necessary affairs locally.

Enforcement of Local Self-Government:—To complete the organisation of district, town, city and village local self-government and to train adequate guards for proper protection.

Finance Matters.

To comply with the instructions of the Central Government regarding the abolition of likin.

To establish an Excise Bureau in place of tax farmers.

To change the name of the Central Bank in Canton into that of the Kwangtung Provincial Bank; and to take the national currency as the unit.

To prohibit gambling and opium smuggling and to abolish all minor taxes.

To urge the landlords to submit reports on their field areas.

To request the Central Government to discriminate between the National and Provincial revenues, and also between Provincial and District revenues.

Reconstruction Plans.

To complete the construction of all highways in the Eastern, Southern and Northern parts of the province.

To adopt plans for the promotion of native industry, and to complete the construction of the Cement Factory.

To improve the silk industry, to expand planting, to open mines and to introduce a new fisheries system.

To complete the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway and Chungshan Port.

To regulate the administration of district and city Governments.

Educational Progress.

To increase the number of kindergarten and primary schools.

To adjust provincial middle schools and to suppress all private middle schools.

To select qualified students to proceed to foreign countries.

To check school property.

To expand public education.

To encourage sport and to develop music.

Canton Municipality.

To complete the construction of malloos, the Pearl River Bridge, and the Inland Port and to complete the reclamation of the Bund.

To adopt better plans relative to public utilities and public health; to reform the waterworks; to expand the telephone service; and to complete the construction of the municipal hospital.

To pay special attention to municipal education and to seek the promotion of civilisation.

To establish a loan organ for

FIVE FLIERS KILLED.

TRAGEDY STALKS ATLANTIC TRIP.

BELATED REPORT

TWO ITALIAN PLANES CRASH AT START.

Rome, Jan. 7.

It transpires to-day for the first time that tragedy stalked the commencement of the flight of General Balbo's air squadron across the South Atlantic Ocean, five of the airmen being killed within ten minutes of the start from Bolama.

It would appear from the latest information that only eight instead of ten of the twelve machines actually completed the flight from Bolama to Natal, though it is curious that General Balbo, interviewed by *Reuter*, made mention of ten planes as having landed safely.

The tragic part of the venture is related to-day in messages from Bolama, the capital of Portuguese Guinea.

They state that one of the planes was forced down after climbing to a height of only 150 feet. The right float of the machine was badly damaged in the crash into the sea.

Sergeant-Major Fols, who was inside the float (which was large enough to carry passengers) was killed, and three other airmen inside the float were slightly injured.

A second plane made a forced landing at high speed after a

FLIGHT TEMPORARILY ABANDONED.

Miss Amy Johnson to Resume Later in Year.

ENTRAINING FOR MOSCOW.

Warsaw, Jan. 7.

After consultations with various experts to-day Miss Amy Johnson decided to postpone her flight to Moscow en route to Peking until later in the year.

The decision was reached owing to the bad weather prevailing in Russia.

It is learned that Miss Johnson is leaving for Moscow by train on Friday for the purpose of an interview with the Soviet aviation authorities to collect data regarding the flight from Moscow to the Chinese border.—*Reuter*.

flight of only ten minutes.

The machine made a bad landing and caught on fire almost immediately.

Captain Boer, the commander of the plane, Lieutenant Barolenti, Sergeant Nensi and Wireless Operator Imbastari, were burned to death before assistance was forthcoming.

Both accidents were due to the heavy load of fuel which the planes had to carry for the flight.

One of the two other planes which came down in the sea is expected to arrive at Fernando Noronha to-day and the other to-morrow.—*Reuter*.

the convenience of the poor, to encourage special industry and the establishment of factories; and to devote attention to famine relief.

To readjust land surveys; to rehabilitate finance and to regulate the original receipt of revenues.

In conclusion, Chairman Chan expressed the hope that his countrymen would give him the necessary co-operation in the enforcement of the policy outlined.—*Canton News Agency*.

THE ARSON TRIAL SUMMING-UP.

CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF INCIDENTS.

THE LAW OF CONSPIRACY DETAILED.

MR. JENKIN'S FACT.

The concluding stages of the Wing Lok Street arson trial were entered upon this morning when Mr. Justice Wood summed-up, first dealing with the matter as it related to the two prisoners defended by Mr. F. C. Jenkin.

After pointing out that it was not necessary they should find all three prisoners guilty, and that, in considering the first two prisoners, they should remember that their cases should be considered separately, his Lordship said that nobody could be convicted on anything that was a mere guess or supposition. A conviction had to be based on something that amounted to reasonable proof and nothing short of that was enough.

Meaning of Conspiracy.

His Lordship dealt with the meaning of conspiracy, pointing out that two people could have it in their mind to burn down a building and they could not be arrested, but, once two or more people got together and agreed to burn down a building, then there was an agreement which would be conspiracy.

The jury had to be satisfied that the men were accomplices with another person or other persons, and that they had agreed to set fire to the premises.

Continuing, his Lordship reminded the jury that they had to consider the whole of the facts together and draw their inferences from them as a whole. They should have a cumulative effect of acts which, individually, might seem innocent, but which, when considered together, might no longer seem innocent.

His Lordship's Wait.

Mr. Jenkin had said that it did not matter how far certain facts went to prove the prisoners guilty, if there was one fact establishing their innocence. That was true, as there might be any amount of suspicion against a man, which suspicion disappeared if he could prove one fact which cleared him.

He would advise the jury to consider very carefully whether Mr. Jenkin's comment had any application to the prisoners. His Lordship added that he had listened very carefully to hear what the fact was that was going to establish the innocence of one or the other of the two men, but he did not think there was such a fact.

No Denial of Attempt.

After dealing with the evidence regarding preparation for the fire, and it was not denied that there was an attempt to fire the building, his Lordship remarked it had been suggested it was for the Crown to show that the prisoners, either or both of them, were, perhaps, partners in the Tin Sang Tong. If it were a question of the liability of any individual doct of the Tin Sang Tong, and the evidence was offered to prove that either of the men were partners, then, he thought, it might well be held to be insufficient. The point was, however, irrespective of whether prisoners were partners or not, they co-operated with other people in the plan to burn the building down.

Methodical Preparation.

His Lordship dealt with the evidence regarding the insurance by first prisoner, according to the Crown case, only about \$2,400 for \$31,000, and the methodical way in which preparations for the fire were made on all three floors of the building.

The case is proceeding.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone central to the north of Korea is unchanged.

Strong monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and moderate to fresh monsoon over the North China Sea. The local forecast is:—N.E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

MODERN METHODS FOR ARABIA.

MARCONI CONTRACT WITH KING IBN SAUD.

MOBILE WIRELESS.

London, Jan. 7.

The King of the Hedjaz and Nejd has entered into a contract with the Marconi Company for the supply of a system of telegraphic communication for Arabia.

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British engineers will supervise the installation outside Mecca and provide for maintenance afterwards.

King Ibn Saud has sent four of his subjects for instruction in the Marconi School.—*British Wireless*.

PLOT TO DESTROY SUGAR FIELDS.

PROPOSED ARSON CAMPAIGN IN CUBA.

Havana, Jan. 7.

The Government has discovered a plot to destroy the sugar-cane fields in Cuba by a campaign of arson, starting on the 15th instant.

The military have been ordered to keep a most vigilant watch on the sugar properties throughout the island, and to shoot and kill anyone attempting to set fire to the cane-fields.

It is proposed to organise special militia to protect the sugar planters and manufacturers.—*Reuter*.

CHANG'S RETURN DELAYED.

MUKDEN LEADER FACING FINANCE PROBLEM.

Tientsin, Jan. 7.

Much attention is being paid to the postponement of General Chang Hsueh-liang's return to Mukden and the apparent financial crisis facing the Manchurian Government arising out of the disbandment of the large armies in north-western China and the abolition of irregular taxes in North China.

A prominent spokesman of the Tientsin Government states that General Chang Hsueh-liang is awaiting the arrival from Nanking of the Central Government's consent to issue \$30,000,000 worth of North China Rehabilitation Treasury Bonds in addition to the \$3,000,000 in cash from Nanking to defray the disbandment scheme.

Princes' Tour to S. America.

LEAVING ENGLAND VERY SHORTLY.

London, Jan. 7.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and Prince George are to depart on their South American tour on the 17th instant. They will join a steamer at Santander, and will probably fly from London to Paris.

The Prince of Wales is to open the British Trade Exhibition at Buenos Aires.—*Reuter*.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S NEW POST.

ACTING MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

Nanking, Jan. 7.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek visited the official quarters of the Ministry of Education this morning to formally take up the duties of Acting Minister of Education.—*Reuter*.

He was under no misgiving that Dominion Status or completely responsible Government was contemplated, but the

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FRANK SPEECH ON CRUCIAL INDIA PROBLEMS.

RESPONSIBILITY A SAFEGUARD.

BUILDING UP THE FEDERAL STRUCTURE.

SOUND PROGRESS.

London, Jan. 7.

It is anticipated that the Federal Structure Sub-committee of the London Round Table Conference will complete its work early to-morrow afternoon and that the Chairman will at once begin the task of preparing its report.

The most important speech to-day was by Sir Bhupendra Mitra, the High Commissioner-designate for India in London, who is recognised as an eminent authority on financial matters.

Regarding the public debt, he said that all that was required was a clause in the Statute, acknowledging in explicit terms, India's liability to pay the debt and interest, which should be a second charge on the consolidated fund. He was not in favour of any examination of that debt but agreed that if any future dispute arose, the matter should be referred to an independent tribunal.

The Empire Court, which the Imperial Conference recommended, would be a suitable tribunal.

End Talk of Repudiation.

Let there be no more talk of a repudiation or an examination of the debt.

As to the external loans, he saw no reason why the future Dominion Government of India should not subscribe to the conditions laid down under the rules which applied to other States whose loans were classed as trustee securities.

As to safeguards for securing a balanced budget, he could picture no safeguards which would not distract from the responsibility of the Ministry to produce a balanced budget, and thus precipitate a crisis. The greatest safeguard against financial breakdown lay in responsibility.

Financial Control.

He hoped, when responsible Government was introduced, with minimum of safeguards, his countrymen would rise to their responsibility and with the help of the Princes, who would form an element of federation, an effort would be made to raise the amount of gold required for establishing a Reserve Bank without external assistance.

If a breakdown occurred, let them dismiss the House. As a last resort, let them suspend the Constitution.

He appealed to his British colleagues not to provide in the new Constitution for the imposition of safeguards much in excess of those introduced at the outset in the Constitution of Canada.

European's View.

Mr. Gavin Jones, representing European business interests, agreed with Sir Tej Sapru's proposals, provided a really workable constitution was involved. In which the States were included and necessary safeguards were introduced. He saw no alternative to giving a large measure of responsibility to a Legislature representative of all interests, and in which stable elements would prevail.

There ought, he said, to be strong representation of the Crown by nominated representatives as the Crown would be responsible for a big part of the expenditure.

Mr. Jinnah's Support.

Mr. Jinnah, supporting Sir Tej Sapru's proposals, said that one powerful section of his country demanded complete independence. Another section expected real Dominion Status. He agreed responsible Government could not be given without safeguards for the minorities.

He was under no misgiving that Dominion Status or completely responsible Government was contemplated, but the

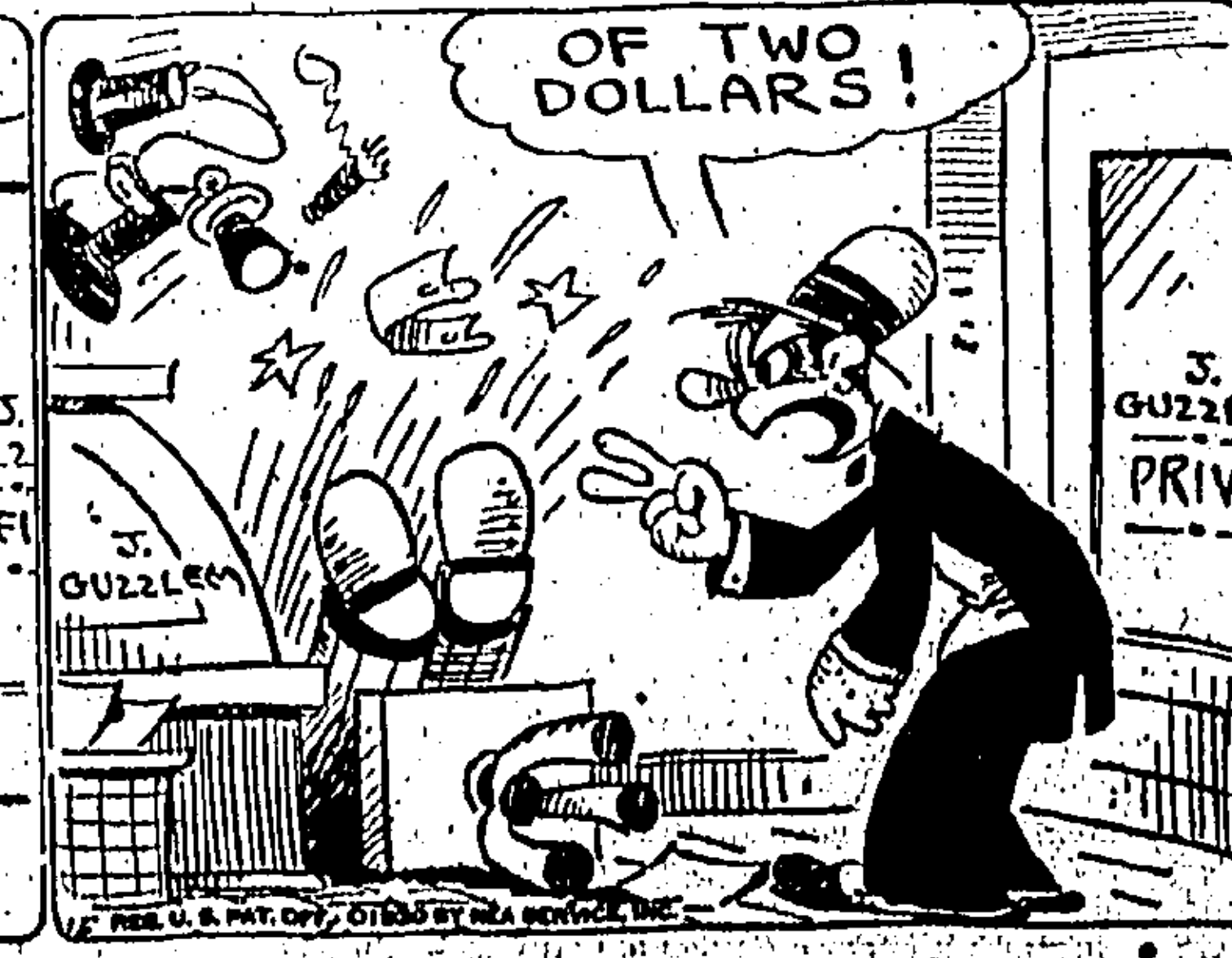
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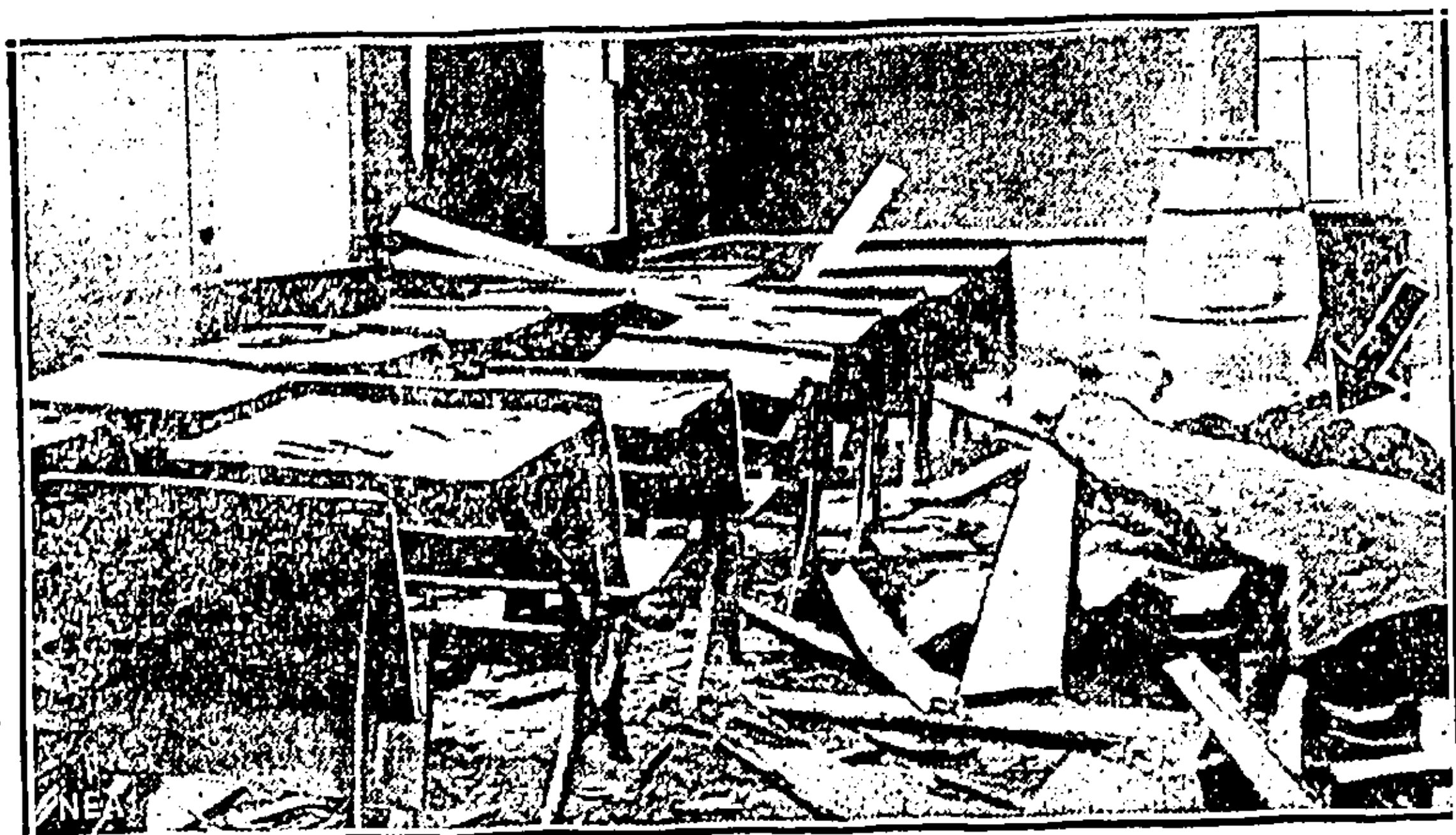




Top photo shows the football eleven of the Green Howards, who were beaten by the odd goal in a Cup contest, with the Worcester Regiment in Shanghai recently. The Worcesters are reputed to have the best regimental side seen in the Far East. Bottom picture shows the Chonju and Navy teams, who shared pointed 2-2, at the Shanghai Stadium.



The foreman of the jury congratulating Tunney after he won his recent legal dispute with Mara.



A rural school at Ironton, Ohio, was wrecked recently when a charge of dynamite sent a tree stump (arrow) through the roof. One boy aged twelve was killed and six others were injured.



Tim Mara, the well-known sports promoter, lost the case in which he claimed \$450,000 from Gene Tunney under an alleged agreement. Our photo shows Tunney and his solicitor entering the New York Supreme Court.



Our picture shows Rebecca West leaving the church after her marriage to Mr. Henry Andrews, a London banker. Her real name was Cicely Fairchild. Her pseudonym was chosen from an Ibsen play.



Twenty-two persons were killed and over 120 injured at Bothany, Oklahoma, recently, as the result of a severe tornado, which did tremendous damage. Our picture shows rescue workers searching for victims in one of the ruined buildings.



Masterlinck's famous allegorical play, "Bluebird," has just completed a successful run at the Embassy Theatre, Shanghai, where it was given by a group of amateurs under the direction of Mrs. Gay Cumming. The cast included actors of every age, from grown-ups to tiny tots, but all entered into the story with whole-hearted enthusiasm.

The freedom of undress



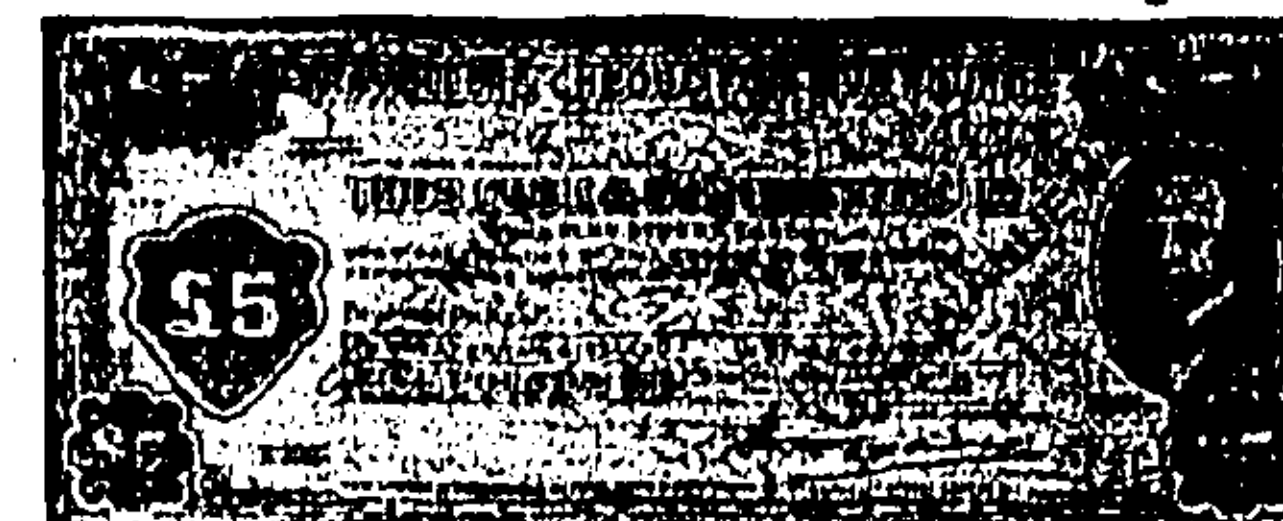
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Haverá em agulha Cha e dança. A fim de que esta recepção seja revestida do maior brilho possível a Direcção pede a compunção de todos os Socio e suas Exmas. Famílias e os demais Membros da Comunidade Portuguesa.

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ROUNDED UP.

Rangoon, Jan. 7.

Apart from activity by malcon-

tents in a few villages, the rebel

outbreak has been virtually crush-

ed.

An official communique states

that the rounding up of the rebels

in the Tharrawaddy district is

proceeding satisfactorily.—Reuter.

WORK ON MANSION HOUSE.

London, Jan. 7.

The work of dismantling the

Mansion House, London, which is

being altered and repaired at a

cost of \$57,000, has begun.—

British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local
 share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1845 b.

Chartered Bank, \$17 1/2 n.

Mercantile A. & B., \$27 n.

East Asia \$115 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1,240 n.

Union Ins., \$535 b.

North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.

China Underwriters, \$3.20 a.

Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.

China Fire, \$450 b.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,225 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$23 1/4 n.

H. K. Steamboats, \$31 a.

Indo-China, (Def.) \$27 n.

Union Waterboats, \$39 a.

Mining.

Benguet, \$11.10 n.

Kallans, 28/9 n.

S'hal Explorations, Tls. 1 b.

Raub, \$34 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$173 b.

Whampoa Docks, \$30 b.

China Provident, \$5.45 b. (old).

Hongkew, Tls. 284 n.

New Engineering, Tls. 7.10 n.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 117 b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. \$13 b.

S'hal Cottons, Tls. 85 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$12.25 a.

H. K. Land, \$84 1/2 b. (old).

do. \$83 1/2 b.

S'hal Land Tls. 322 b.

Humphreys, \$17.45 b.

Realties, \$9.10 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18.10 a.

Peak Tram, (old) \$14 1/4 a.

Star Ferries \$94 1/2 n.

China Lights, (old) \$25.50 a.

H. K. Electric, \$81 1/2 b.

Macao Electric, \$23 n.

Telephones \$35 1/2 n.

China Buses, Tls. 19.60 n.

Singapore Traction, \$7/10 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, 80 cts. n.

Malabons, \$27 n.

Cold: Macg. Ord. Tls. 10.75 n.

Cement: Ord. \$3.60 a.

Cement: (Comb) \$17.80 b.

Ropes \$11.70 b.

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WOMEN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

EGG TREATMENTS.

[By a Beauty Expert.]

To prepare an egg shampoo take a well-beaten egg, stir a tablespoonful of soapflakes into it, a tablespoonful of camomile powder, and a teaspoonful of powdered borax.

This is for a blonde and the camomile powder is added to retain the pretty golden glint; a brunette would need henna powder in the same proportion to deepen the colour, and make it more vivid and alive.

Wet the hair thoroughly. Then rub the mixture well into the scalp, keeping up the friction until the scalp tingles. Then rinse the hair thoroughly in two waters, and in the last rinsing water add the juice of a lemon. This ensures all the soap being removed.

A fortnightly egg shampoo, a daily brushing with a clean brush, and a few minutes scalp massage every night, is all the treatment healthy hair needs.

Egg yolk is very soothing and kind to the skin perhaps a trifle weather-beaten and inclined to line easily. This is how to prepare it.

Separate the yolk from the white, then beat up the yolk to a froth, and add, gradually, a few spots of Eau-de-Cologne. Then stir in sufficient Fuller's Earth to make a thin cream.

A Simple Remedy.

While the skin is still moist after the nightly washing, dip a swab in the mixture and go all over the face with it. Leave it on for a few minutes, then remove it with a pad dipped in rosewater. And, finally, smear a little cold cream over.

It is such a simple remedy for redness and coarseness of the skin, also for the tired, sagging appearance, which comes after illness or great strain.

It must be made freshly every day, otherwise there is an un-



Black panne velvet is used in this formal evening gown, which is remarkable for its sculptural lines.



Pale rose faille, with self stripes of satin is featured for the formal evening gown pictured here.

A PUZZLE.

Woman at Her Worst.

When is woman at her worst?

Put that question to a number of men, and you will probably receive some disturbing replies, for you will find that woman very often shows up badly when doing the most ordinary things.

One woman is said to be at her worst when she is shopping, another when she is travelling, and another when she is observing other women who are to some extent rivals of hers.

One is tempted to study the women one knows and tabulate their dangerous moments, but how much more would one like to know one's own worst!

From what depths of disillusion would not our would-be friends be saved had those who know us only the courtesy to hint gently to us when we are letting ourselves down!

pleasant staleness about it, which makes it disagreeable to use.

If the skin feels tired and stretched after motoring or outdoor exercise, dip the fingers in the beaten egg, and massage it into the skin with a rotary movement. Then wipe it off gently with a soft rag smeared generously with cold cream.

This effectively removes the dust, and completely banishes that weather-beaten look, which so quickly appears when the air is frosty.

When you want to look especially nice, give yourself an egg pack. This mixture is merely the "lily" beaten white of an egg, with the addition of a few spots of Eau-de-Cologne. The mixture is spread over the skin, while it is still moist from washing, and, after a few minutes, removed with tepid water.

Finally, douche the skin vigorously with icy cold water to tighten up the pores. Then apply make-up in the usual way.

FASHION NOTES.

Woollen Ensembles.

Some of the woollen ensembles are particularly interesting, because, when a design is used on the heavier material of the coat, it is repeated in a more diminutive size on the lighter fabric of the frock.

The Princess line appears constantly, and this is especially true of the new afternoon coats, which are invariably of the wrap-over type.

Some of the afternoon coats are almost anklelength, but the anklelength and really long frocks are kept for late afternoon and evening wear, the remainder coming down to just below the calf. Most of the new afternoon frocks are very simple in line, but most elaborate as regards fine workmanship and cutting. The Parisienne has, for the time being, banished lingerie collars and cuffs, and relies instead on pintucks and embroidery for her effects.

Tucks, by the way, are used a very great deal as a trimming. Pin tucks share the honours with slightly larger tucks, which are disposed in groups of three or four at regular intervals on some of the afternoon and evening gowns.

All kinds of beads to match are worn to complete the effect of evening gowns, and the buckles on the narrow belts are usually set with the same stones cut in cabuchon style.

A new way of wearing beads was shown with a turquoise-blue gown, with which a triple row of beads to match was worn round the neck and then twisted round and beneath one shoulder.

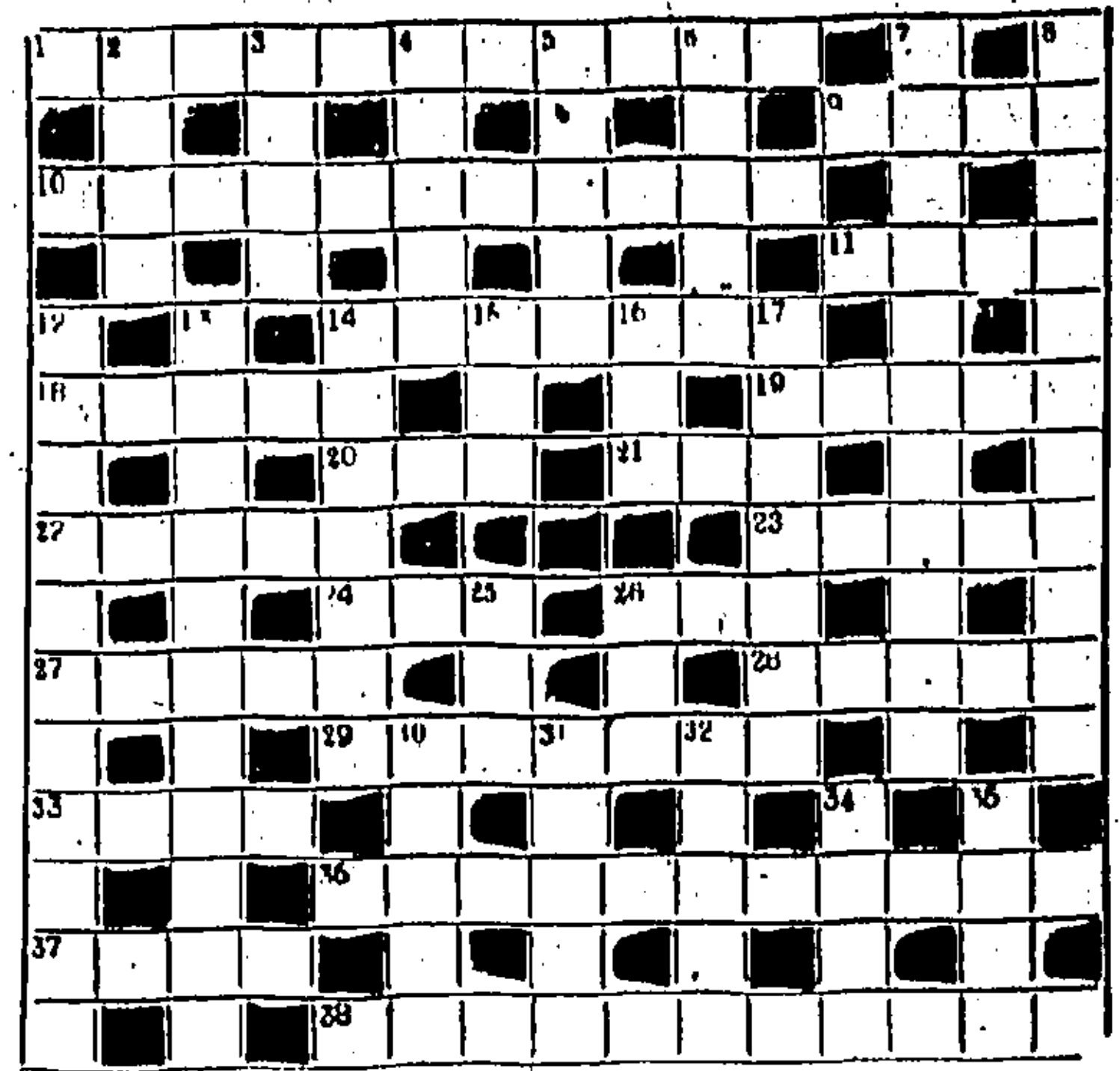
Bead trimmings are used with restraint, but bead fringes are seen covering satin frocks for evening wear.

Gloves for both afternoon and evening wear are now sometimes seen embroidered in bead patterns, and even our velvet skull caps and berets are being embroidered heavily with bead designs, with black jet or crystal beads.



This sumptuous evening wrap is made of black velvet, lined with white satin, and trimmed with ermine.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 "A chant, Larry" (anag).
- 2 The pith of a matter.
- 3 Descriptive name for a long rolling wave.
- 11 There are one or two reviews, and all ask, in differing terms, the same question (hidden).
- 14 A statue of Hercules is so named.
- 18 A fragrant, resinous substance.
- 19 Contemptuous language.
- 20 This lick has a heavy little head.
- 21 A Portuguese settlement.
- 22 "streams from little fountains flow."—D. Everett.
- 23 Useful to a pilgrim, and absolutely essential to a newspaper.
- 24 All telegraph wires do this.
- 25 This bird looks the same from both ends.
- 27 What an accumulator does when it is fully charged.
- 28 A letter in the middle of the month, gave the old Romans some things to think about.
- 29 Irregular.
- 33 A medicinal character found in dried fruit.
- 36 Those between childhood and manhood.
- 37 His full name was Publius Ovidius—
- 38 "Do in lion act" (anag).

Down

- 2 Where good dogs go to.
- 3 Sway.
- 4 Town in Upper Guinea.
- 5 The Libyan Jupiter.
- 6 Smokes in Scottish trousers.
- 7 He kept the books of Cheryble Brothers.

- 8 A dish for pen and ink round an adverb is nook.
- 12 "Lent big reel" (anag).
- 13 Would it indicate a disagreeable state of mind to describe an ordinate love of buns thus?
- 14 Artifice.
- 15 Chafe.
- 16 Easily beaten.
- 17 This gives freely.
- 25 The sound of a song follows this fish in a restaurant.
- 26 An Oliver for the Roland of 26 across.
- 30 A gathering of men, horses, and cattle.
- 31 Pivoted.
- 32 Inserted.
- 33 Den this was most amusing.
- 35 This volcano is known locally as Monte Gibello.

Yesterday's Solution.

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C. Y. I. IMMATURE
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S. S. C. HYPOCRISY

BANK OF KOREA.

NEGOTIATIONS GOING ON IN MOSCOW.

Tokyo, Jan. 7.
It is learned on good authority that negotiations are going on in Moscow regarding the closure of the branch of the Bank of Korea in Vladivostok, but that the Soviet is not showing any sign of agreeing to the cancellation of the closure order, though it will prob-

ably reduce the amount of the fine and the proposed levy.
In the meantime, the question of the payment for fishery leases, which has a close bearing on the issue, is being treated as a separate matter. It is understood that the Soviet Ambassador here has been instructed to offer about 60 per cent. rebate of the amount payable, which will have much the same effect as though the payment was made through the Bank at the Bank's rouble rates.—*Reuter.*

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, JAN. 8, 1931.

THE SILVER CRISIS.

Coincident with the fall in the sterling value of the Hongkong dollar to the round shilling mark, comes yet another suggestion aiming at the stabilisation of the price of silver by means of international action. It has long been foreseen that the worse the situation became, the greater likelihood would there be of leading economists realising the necessity of action of some sort being taken. This, latterly, has been Hongkong's sole hope in face of a situation of growing seriousness. The position has now gone so far that any separate action by this Colony in the direction of an early stabilisation of the dollar would appear to be altogether out of question although a suggestion which we have heard that Hongkong might do worse than adopt the English sterling currency is one which might be worthy of consideration.

Dr. Joseph Hans, the Austrian economist, advocates the formation of an international silver-pegging syndicate to absorb from the market the immense quantity of metal which is responsible for price fluctuations. He outlines means by which co-operation along these lines would be possible, but we doubt whether his suggested fixed price of fifteen pence an ounce for silver will command any widespread support. This figure is far below that which has been advocated by other economists recently. However, this is, after all, a secondary point so far as immediate attention to the problem is concerned. Everyone, we imagine, excepting those people who exploit the fluctuations in the price of the metal, would favour any well-conceived concerted plan which aimed at checking the disastrous decline in silver. The main thing is to get international agreement on that point. That much secured, the working out of details ought to present no insuperable difficulty. When we come to analyse the situation, it will be conceded on all hands, with the exception which we have mentioned, that stability is the one great need, for without a certain factor, trade and commerce must suffer. So far as the Far East is concerned, the only way in which to improve the outlook is to restore silver to some better relation to gold, so that China can come back into the world's markets. On this point, the thought does suggest itself that if the price of silver is fixed at a level as low as that suggested by the Austrian economist, very

little will be done to increase China's purchasing power, which is the prime necessity of the moment. However, if it is conceivable, as Dr. Hans suggests, to fix at a price above the current value, we cannot see that the possibility of fixing at a higher rate is ruled out. Be that as it may, something must be done to stop the present fluctuation, with its concomitant evil of widespread speculation in currency.

Looking at the matter from Hongkong's standpoint, whilst it may be true in one sense that stability at any price would be better than the existing uncertainty, we must not forget that it would take many years before the Colony could adjust itself to any low-value stabilisation. We have for so many years lived on a basis which puts the sterling value of the dollar in the neighbourhood of two shillings that stability at any where near half that figure would perpetuate the present economic disabilities from which the community is suffering. Moreover, in view of the Government's sterling commitments and the basis on which civil servants are paid, there would be small prospect of any lightening of the burden of taxation; indeed, even more revenue would most likely have to be found. The situation in this respect at present is extremely serious. Even after making allowances for the new basis of civil servants' pay and taking full account of the fresh taxation just put into force, it would appear that if the dollar remains in the neighbourhood of one shilling, the year must end with a very substantial deficit, running into several millions of dollars. That is a prospect which cannot be contemplated with equanimity. From whatever angle we view the matter, the need of action stresses itself. We can only trust that in view of the gravity of the outlook, something will soon be done.

Plato and Parliament.

The mantle of Cobdett, who found little that was complimentary to say of British statesmen of his day, appears to have fallen upon an Italian notability, Count Sforza. In a recent appreciation of Lord Balfour, Count Sforza deplores the imminent disappearance from British political life of the scholar. He recalls, to point his observations, that when Gladstone was visiting Italy, his host at a public function was unable to complete a quotation from Horace that Gladstone had commenced. In fact, the only person in the room capable of supplying the missing words was the British political chief himself. Count Sforza regrets that such an incident is unlikely to occur again, not because Italians are getting to know their Horace better, but because statesmen are ceasing to know him at all. If these apprehensions are justified, the regret will be shared. It would be difficult to overestimate the debt which Parliament owes to the fact that it has frequently found opportunity to escape from the bitterness of party politics to the more serene air of classical literature. Mr. Stanley Baldwin is one of the stalwarts of the old school. Indeed, it is sometimes charged against him that his taste for the classics renders him unfit for the hurly-burly of politics. However, there is every reason to believe that Count Sforza has exaggerated the situation. It may be true to a large extent that the classics have suffered a setback in the House of Commons. Also, there is a germ of truth in his suggestion that classical learning has been exclusively the prerogative of statesmen who have had no real understanding of the needs of democracy, though this is partly because, in the past, higher education has not been available for those classes from which democracy takes its natural leaders. There is, however, nothing in culture itself that is alien to the spirit of democracy. Now that even Oxford and Cambridge are not confined to any single section of the community, future Parliaments will doubtless find among their leaders many who have received the peculiar impress of classical ideals.

DAY BY DAY

A MAN CAN ALWAYS MAKE BLUNDERS, BUT IT TAKES A WOMAN TO CONVINCE HIM OF THEM.—*Constance Evan Jones.*

An effective wall calendar has been issued by the Blue Star Line.

The Empress of Japan is due here at 11.30 a.m. on Friday. She will berth at Pier No. 6, Kowloon Wharf.

A stonebreaker had three fingers of one hand blown off when rushing in to gather stones during blasting operations at Talkoktau yesterday.

An unemployed Chinese, named Chau Sap, pleaded guilty before Mr. Butters, at Kowloon this morning, to the larceny of a woollen jersey, two cotton jackets, and a felt hat, the property of a married woman Cheng Chat, living at 32, Kwai Lam Street. Five weeks' imprisonment was imposed.

Telegraphic information has been received by the Hongkong Government from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of the late Princess Royal will take place on Saturday, 10th January. All flags on Government buildings and churches will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset on that day.

SIX MONTHS FOR ASSAULT.

RECENT INCIDENT ON THE TAIPO ROAD.

A Chinese named Li Kwai made another appearance before Mr. Butters, at Kowloon this morning, on a charge of having robbed Ng Kam-shui, a public car driver of the sum of \$5.30 and of two keys on the Tai-po Road on December 11. Charges of simple larceny and assault were also preferred.

The defendant said that he was going to return the \$5.30 to a man named Tin Hing to whom the money belonged.

Tin Hing denied defendant's story.

Mr. Butters discharged defendant on the count of highway robbery, remarking that he did not think any jury would convict him on that charge. His Worship added that he believed there was some connexion between Tin Hing, the complainant and the defendant, and he accordingly accepted the defendant's statement that he was collecting money on behalf of Tin Hing. He accordingly discharged the defendant on the charge of simple larceny, but sentenced him to six months on the assault charge.

HEDLEY JOHN KEEFE on the LORE OF LOTTERIES.

THE LOT which, as Solomon says, "causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty," by means of which the Promised Land was divided among the tribes of Israel, and one of the Apostles was chosen, must not be confused with the Lottery, a special application of the Lot—the apportionment of subscriptions—which dates only from the end of the Middle Ages. The subscription element was absent from the Roman lotteries—they decided the destination of gifts; at a banquet given by Hellogabalus, for example, the guests drew lots for presents, ten ostriches, ten bears. There were no actual blanks, their place being taken by gifts such as six flies or a dead dog.

The widow of Jan van Eyck set up the earliest subscription lottery of which I have read, in 1446. The municipality of Bruges gambled with the ratepayers' money to the extent of two lives in this lottery.

Draw Brightemiston a good lot, Or else return them a turbot.

Such was the "posie" written on a "ticket" for the first English State Lottery bought by those who guided the destinies of Brighton in 1568. Hastings, as one of the Cinque Ports, took several tickets. On each was inscribed:

From Hastings we come,
God send us good speed;
Never a poor fisher town in
England
Of ye great lot hath more need.

Miss Sibbel Cleyon ventured 10s. Of this virgin I know nothing save that she owned lot 51m. 832, and that her "posie" was:

I am a pore maiden and faine
would marry,
And the lacke of goods is the
cause that I tarry.

Her life, I fear, was spent "in single strictness," for No. 51m. 832 secured a "price" of exactly 26d. William Doughtie de Westholme whose prayerful "posie" ran:

God send a good lot for my
children and me,
Which have had twenty by one
wife truly.

Had no better fortune with No. 109m. 508.

Sir George Speake, of Whitlackington, in Somersetshire, Knight, may or may not have grumbled when No. 193m. 066 drew a "price" of 5s. 10d.; anyhow he had announced beforehand:

What change to me befel,
I am content withal.

The appearance of posies on what we should call the 400,000 "tickets," costing an angel or 10s. each in the first English State Lottery, was not the result of caprice; it was one of the conditions that a posie or device ("Not

Covetous" is an example) should be furnished by each adventurer to secure anonymity.

This "verie rich Lotterio General, without any blankets . . . erected by her majesties order to the intent that such commoditie as may chance to arise thereof, after the charges borne, may be converted towards the reparation of the havens and strength of the Realme, and towards such other publique good works," was, as Hollnshed records, "at London in Poules Church yard, at the westdore . . . begun to be drawne the eleventh of Januarie, and continue daile and night till the sixt of Male." (1569).

The time taken in drawing (or "reading" as it was also called) this Lottery is not excessive seeing that each posie had to be read aloud and then recorded.

A poster is extant advertising Queen Bess's "verie rich Lotterio General." It is 5 feet high by 19 inches in width, and is surmounted by an illustration of the "prices," in plate, tapestry and money, 20 inches in depth. It was printed by Henry Bynnmann in 1567, and announced that the "prices and rewards" were "set up to be scene in Chespeyde . . . in the house of M. Dericke, Goldsmith." The Virgin Queen's advisers were not ignorant of the value of publicity.

Between 1569 and 1709 very few State lotteries were held, but towards the end of the Seventeenth Century, raffles, under the name of lotteries, played almost as great a part in England's trading system as hire purchase and the bargain sale do to-day. The fun amused themselves by forming parties and visiting the shops, where they subscribed the price of an article and decided its ownership by the hazard of the die on the counter. Tradesmen raffled, large portions of their stock, the shares costing usually 6d. apiece.

Street vendors of nuts, gingerbread, and oranges had dice on their stalls for small boys to gamble withal. This custom did not cease until about sixty years ago, the barrow-women then providing a sort of roulette wheel instead of dice.

When Prince Rupert died, his jewels, valued at £20,000 odd, were raffled, and King Charles II. himself mixed the prize vouchers among the blanks.

Beginning with the year 1709, lotteries were definitely adopted as a Budget device. Each year thereafter until 1825, Queen Anne or one of the four Georges (in France) thanked their "good subjects for their benevolence," and approved a Lottery Bill. The annual profit to the Exchequer was some £250,000.

Every year the two giant lottery wheels, one containing subscribers (Continued on Page 7.)



"How very charming to have met you. I do hope to see more of you."
"Well, just now, thanks to dieting, I'm hoping myself to see less of me."

AUSTRALIA CABINET DIVISIONS.

MOVE TO DISPLACE MR. SCULLIN.

Talk of Australia facing the facts is nonsense as long as the Left Wings of the Federal and State Labour parties continue their political racketeering.

Just as neither Mr. Scullin nor Mr. Fenton is master of the Federal Party, so Mr. Lang is not master of the State Party. The young hopefuls of State Labour are already announcing unauthorised policies, utterly regardless of economic conditions and of the Premier's difficulties. For example, union leaders recently demanded a thirty-five-hour week.

The refusal of the Loan Council to assist Mr. Lang to borrow has severely increased the difficulty of carrying out his election promises. Yet, unless he carries them out, there will certainly be a revolt in his party.

Meanwhile the Federal Parliament continues to talk with a Cabinet divided against itself, and a split in the Labour Party is developing steadily. Mr. Scullin will return to face a definite movement to displace him and his supporters in the Cabinet, with a new Prime Minister and leader from New South Wales. The failure of the Imperial Conference quota scheme is being used against him, and he is charged with having failed in the first object of his visit to London. The defeat of the quota was a severe disappointment, as it was the only means of helping the wheat growers.

NEW YORK POLICE BRIBERY.

BLACKMAIL OF GIRLS ALLEGED.

New York, Dec. 3. Forty-six policemen stood in a double row in a New York magistrate's court today while Chile Acuna, the "stool pigeon," identified 23, for whom he said he had acted in "frame-ups" to extort money from women.

An specific cases were mentioned, he was required to identify the policemen he had named. Ten of them were forced to remain in court to be confronted by the women they are alleged to have blackmailed.

One of the most extraordinary cases was that of Mary Palmer and Elizabeth Wilson, described in detail by the girls themselves, into whose apartment Acuna, they said, forced his way a few minutes before the police arrived.

It cost them, they said, \$115, their hard-earned savings, to have the case quashed. This included a 10 per cent. charge for bail bonds, instead of the legal 3 per cent., and \$100 to a lawyer, who told them that it covered the cost of silencing the police.

Theatre Ticket Operations.

Before the open hearing started, Mr. Isidor Kresel, who conducted the inquiry, revealed a new form of police racketeering. It consisted of the collection of \$1 a day from sidewalk ticket speculators, who, for this payment, were permitted to operate unmolested outside theatres, where the demand for tickets exceeds the supply.

In cases where the bribe was not paid, it was said, that the speculators were arrested and their tickets confiscated, although they were usually released without trial. The tickets not returned found their way, it was stated, into the possession of persons connected with the magistrate's court.

It was stated that about 200 speculators were contributing nearly \$70,000 a year to the police racketeers.

COLONY'S SYMPATHY.

EXPRESSED TO H.M. THE KING AND QUEEN.

His Excellency the Governor has sent the following telegram to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for transmission to His Majesty the King.

"On behalf of the Colony of Hongkong, I humbly tender loyal and respectful sympathy to Their Majesties the King and Queen and the Royal Family in their bereavement."

Funeral Service.

London, Jan. 7. The funeral service for the late Princess Royal will take place at Saint George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, on Saturday. It will be attended by the King and Queen and members of the Royal Family, and their representatives, as well as by personal friends.—British Wireless.

MINES ACCIDENTS.

DEMANDS FOR FRESH INQUIRY.

Mr. Sutton (Sec. Clayton) in the Commons recently moved: "That this House deplores the heavy loss of life and the large number of non-fatal accidents in coal mines, and urges the Government to take every possible measure for the protection of those engaged in this dangerous industry."

He stated that in the last eight and a half years 1,587,330 persons were injured and 10,400 killed in the mines of England, and that the numbers showed a tendency to increase. He wondered whether amalgamation of collieries, rationalisation, the introduction of coal cutting machines, and the general speeding up in the mines had anything to do with this increase. The number of boys killed and injured was a tragedy. Last year among boys under 16 years of age 251 per 1,000 were injured or killed. England ought to be as human as Germany, which absolutely prohibited the employment of boys under sixteen in mines. He appealed to the Minister of Mines to inquire afresh into the main causes of accidents.

Mr. Tinker (Sec. Leigh), seconding, contended that there would be fewer accidents in mines if firemen were State officials and had no other work to perform.

Mr. Shinwell's Reply.

Mr. Hacking agreed that the number of accidents in the mines was far too high. Something like three persons were killed on every working day while some 500 were injured. He feared that the miners' familiarity with danger sometimes bred a feeling of contemptuous indifference as to the risks he ran, and a neglect to take proper precautions.

Mr. Shinwell (Secretary, Mines Department) apologised for his absence during part of the debate, having had to attend, he said, "a very important conference on an aspect of mining which at the present moment is calling for urgent attention."

Although, he proceeded, progress had undoubtedly been made in the direction of promoting safety in the mines, the existing position could not be regarded with complacency. (Heard, hear.) In 1924 the accident rate was 154.85 per 1,000, and in 1929 it had grown to 181.39. The mortality rate had risen from .98 in 1924 to 1.11 in 1929, and this in spite of the fact that fewer persons were now employed in the industry. The majority of the accidents occurred through falls of earth and causes in connexion with haulage.

With a view to reducing the rate of accidents, he decided that the first thing to do was to secure the greatest measure of co-operation in the industry. In this behalf he had been readily met by both the Miners' Federation and the Mining Association, and measures of a co-operative kind were now proceeding.

He mentioned that in 1928 a sum of £3,026,678 was paid in compensation for injuries in mines, which was almost 50 per cent. of the total amount paid in compensation throughout the country. That meant fourpence or fivepence on each ton of coal.

One definite step had been taken in regard to the provision of more efficient illumination in the pits. Research had found that nystagmus cases were attributable to defective lighting.

It was proposed to deal with the qualifications of colliery officials, and raise their standard generally. As to the inspectors, he thought that instead of adding to their numbers, it was more important to relieve the inspectors of much work which had no relation to safety.

The most important matter, however, was that relating to accidents to "boys." "If I had my way," he said, "I would prohibit the employment of boys in mines, certainly under the age of sixteen." (Socialist cheers.) But there are economic causes operating which cannot be ignored. He believed it was possible to arrange for some form of training for the boys, but in this he must have the consent of the employers.

The resolution was agreed to.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.67 1/2	123.67 1/2
Geneva	25.05 1/2	25.05 1/2
Berlin	20.40	20.30
Oslo	18.16	18.16
Helsingfors	193	192 1/2
Athens	375	375
Buenos Aires	312 1/2	312 1/2
New York	4.86 1/2	4.86 1/2
Amsterdam	12.08 1/2	12.08 1/2
Stockholm	18.13 1/2	18.13 1/2
Vienna	34.80 1/2	34.80 1/2
Madrid	45.00	45.00
Bucharest	818	818
Santiago	85	84
Hongkong	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2
Brussels	34.70 1/2	34.70 1/2
Milan	92.72 1/2	92.72 1/2
Copenhagen	18.10 1/2	18.10 1/2
Lisbon	108.24	108.24
Lyons	109 1/2	109 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Yokohama	2/0.15 1/2	2/0.15 1/2
Bombay	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Silver (spot)	18.11 1/2	18.11 1/2
(forward)	18.13 1/2	18.13 1/2

—British Wireless.

DEAN INGE PEERS INTO THE FUTURE.

UNIVERSE RUNNING DOWN LIKE CLOCK.

MYSTICS' VISION.

Man's future on this planet—which might extend for a million years—was in his own hands, and might probably be more brilliant than the past, declared Dean Inge in a talk on "Science and Religion" broadcast from London.

"At some almost inconceivably distant date all life on our planet will be extinct," he said, "but we have a long enough lease to try every experiment."

The Church, continued the Dean, had learned its lesson and lightened the ship by throwing over many antiquated traditions.

Stars Burning Out. "The educated Christian has accepted Copernicus, Galileo, and Newton, Darwin, Jeans, and Edington; he is prepared to accept Einstein if he could understand him."

"According to the newest theory the stars are staked by the destruction of their substance; matter is steadily disappearing in radiation; the universe is slowly but surely running down like a clock."

"I know no stronger instance of the power of men to shut their eyes to an unwelcome conclusion. This law ought to have killed the belief in unending automatic progress but it did not."

"Science is not unfriendly to religion, though some scientists undoubtedly are; and theology has learned much, and unlearned more, from science."

Equal to Angels.

"There are three stages in the spiritual life—faith, knowledge and love. Knowledge, as it passes into love, unites the knower with the known. He who has reached this stage is equal to the angels. There is nothing unscientific in following the explorers of the high places of the spiritual life, when they tell us what they have found."

"I know nothing more remarkable than the unanimity of the mystics, ancient, medieval, and modern, Protestant, Catholic, and even Buddhist or Mohammedan."

"They have quite clearly been there; they testify that which they have seen. The Saints are convinced that their devotions are not merely spiritual dumb-bell exercises. They are sure that they come into real communion with a divine spirit. It is unscientific to disregard such testimony."

Violin and Critic.

"I wish our scientific friends were more ready to recognise that the natural language of devotion is poetry, not science," concluded the Dean.

"A man who interrupted a violin solo by saying 'The fellow is only dragging the tail of a dead horse across the entrails of a dead cat, so is a nuisance. So is a man who wants to bring a test tube to a Catholic Eucharist."

NEW GOLD ON RAND.

REEF FOUND BY ACCIDENT.

Johannesburg, Dec. 14. What is believed to be the most important gold discovery for a generation, meaning a great extension of the life of the Rand Goldfields, is reliably reported to-day from the East Rand section of the Fields.

Ever since the Rand was first discovered there has been a peculiar gap several miles in extent in the reef near Boksburg. Countless thousands of pounds have been spent in searching for this lost reef, but hitherto unsuccessfully.

Five weeks ago prospecting was being conducted underground at what was a rapidly dying concern. Accidentally one of the workers, who had over-drilled, at two thousand feet, located the reef, which in width and high grade ore gave every characteristic of being identical with the main reef.

A New Reef.

Intensive mining was immediately carried out with increasingly satisfactory results. On a neighbouring property, similar high pressure operations have been commenced resulting in the discovery of a thousand feet of excellent payable reef. The implications are that what was hitherto believed to be the main reef in the East Rand area is actually an entirely different ore body, the actual reef running further south.

Meanwhile, some miles to the South West, another important find has been made between the gap and the rich Sub Nigel mine in the far South. Steps are now being taken to follow up the new reef through the Boksburg gap in accordance with the new indications.

Hitherto the greatest secrecy has been maintained, the mining houses concerned refusing information, but confirmation of the big find is available from several competent circles.

CINEMA NOTES.

LON CHANEY HEARD IN TALKIE.

"To a character actor, talking on the screen is the same thing as making up your voice, or in other words, imitating different voices of different characters. When I decided to talk, I was determined to do so in a picture which contained several totally different voices." This was Lon Chaney's explanation of how he happened to do "The Unholy Three," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre as his initial talking picture.

"I wanted to be a man of a thousand voices," he continued, "as long as they call me a man of a thousand faces, but of course there is really more to it than that. Suppose an actor donned several different masks-up, but always used his same natural voice. You see, there would not be any illusion. That's why in the old days on the stage we had so many different voices. I've been in small companies where I'd double in two or three parts, with dialects or voices changed. I didn't see any reason why it couldn't be done on the screen, and Jack Conway, my director, agreed."

"For another thing, I've always been rather proud of a sort of mystique built up about my face. I never wanted to let an audience see my face without some disguise because that's good showmanship. So why should I let them know what my natural voice is like? It seemed to me that if I could use several voices, I could still keep them guessing. I even managed to play a trick and sing in 'The Unholy Three'—just to show them I could."

"Now that I'm in talkies, I'm more than a little interested in seeing what can be done with voice added to pantomime. It opens up a new field for exploring ideas, and as it goes along I shouldn't wonder but what it will change the type of role I do in a good many cases, particularly in the heavily made-up ones. I'd like to do a couple more of my old pictures over with dialogue to see how much more could be gotten out of the roles, particularly 'The Penalty'."

"Our Blushing Brides."

Turning a modern department store into a sound studio overnight was the task tackled by Harry Beaumont when he filmed "Our Blushing Brides," Joan Crawford's new starring vehicle which will be shown on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

Much of the action of the plot takes place in a department store where the three principal players, Miss Crawford, Anita Page and Dorothy Sebastian, are employed. Joan works in the fashion saloon. Anita is at the perfume counter and Dorothy works in woollens.

Finding it impractical to shoot these scenes in the studio because of the amount of stock and floor space required as well as enormous construction costs, Beaumont arranged to "hire" the May Company, one of Los Angeles' largest department store institutions, the occupancy to begin after closing time on Saturday night and ending before opening time Monday morning when the store and stock had to be "as was" and the staff ready for the day's business.

To facilitate matters, Beaumont employed the regular store help as extras, and the store's own lighting, lights and camera paraphernalia in as soon as the closing bell sounded on Saturday night. The principal players, who had rehearsed their lines and actions in "dummy" sets at the studio, then were ready to begin work behind the counters, taking their places side-by-side with the regular salespeople.

"Sarah and Son."

One of filmdom's most popular child actors, Phillippe de Lacy, is to be seen and heard in "Sarah and Son," Paramount's powerful romance-drama starring Ruth Chatterton, which is now showing at the Central Theatre.

This is Phillippe's third picture for Paramount in less than a year's time. He was cast in the role of Richard Arlen as a boy in "The Four Furies," and as a young Tammany son in "The Marriage Playground."

In "Sarah and Son" he plays the part of the eleven-year-old son of Miss Chatterton.

Phillippe is the adopted son of Edith de Lacy, an English woman, who, serving as a nurse in France during the war, discovered the baby in a shell-hole. His mother and father had been killed. Miss de Lacy took charge of him and took him to the United States.

Phillippe was three years old, he made his screen debut in Geraldine Farrar's "Riddle Woman." After that he has made an unbroken series of appearances before the screen.

"The Vagabond King."

Curious fans who have often wondered whether a screen idol ever consents to become an extra should read this.

It happened recently at the Paramount studio in Hollywood. Dennis King, who was working on a sequence of "The Vagabond King," in which he is starred, finished his day's work early.

After doffing his medieval tights and tunic, and resuming the dress of a gentleman of the twentieth century, he stepped in on the "Behind the Make-Up" section where Kay Francis and Hal Skelly were being directed in a scene by Robert Milton.

"Just in time," Milton greeted King. "Walk out that door for me in this scene and as you go out, say 'Good afternoon.'"

The star-extra did his bit and as a reward received the compliments of the director.

"The Vagabond King," in which Dennis King plays the starring title role, is based on the famous novel, "If I Were King," by Justin Huntly McCarthy, and the subsequent operetta, "The Vagabond King," which was written by William K. Post, Brian Hooker and Rudolph Friml and in which Dennis King was

THE TRUTH ABOUT CANCER.

AN AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT.

An authoritative book entitled "The Truth About Cancer" has been issued by the British Empire Cancer Campaign (London: John Murray. Price 2s. 6d.).

The book tries to give a clear answer to questions which are causing concern.

Is cancer on the increase? Most authorities think there is evidence of an increase in cancer at some sites of the body and a diminution at others.

Is cancer hereditary? So far as is known the hereditary factor, if any, "can be dismissed from our minds without serious consequences."

Is cancer contagious? No case has been observed in which the disease has been conveyed from one person to another.

Does cancer develop in certain houses and localities? There is no satisfactory evidence that it does. As regards diet the book says: "All that can be said is that there is no shred of reliable evidence that consumption of or abstinence from any particular article of diet leads to the occurrence of cancer."

The Main Facts.

Methods of treatment, by surgery or radium, or both, are steadily improving, but at present the only way to reduce the mortality considerably is to induce people to see their doctors at an early stage if they notice something wrong.

The main facts which the public should bear in mind are given as follows:

Cancer is relentless if ignored. In its early stages very often it is painless.

In its early stages it is a purely local disease. In its early stages it can very often be treated with complete success.

In its earliest stages competent medical advice must be sought.

The only reliable measures of treatment for cancer known at present are surgical operation and radiation. For complete success treatment of cancer by operation or radiation must be extensive and adequate.

LORE OF LOTTERIES.

(Continued from Page 8.)

tickets, the other prizes and blanks, each with a case to be locked for the night when the day's drawing had ended, were drawn on sleds from the Lottery Commissioners' office to the Guildhall with an escort of Life Guards.

And the mob cheered as they passed by—the drawing of the Lottery by Bluecoat boys with up-turned sleeves was about to begin, and they prepared themselves for a gambling orgy lasting some weeks.

And this how they gambled: The Lottery office keepers, in addition to selling tickets, offered facilities for "insuring" numbers. On the opening day of the drawing, for the sum of 8d., the lottery office keeper undertook to pay a guinea, or a larger sum for a proportionate premium, if a given number were drawn blank or a prize on that day. As the drawing proceeded and the numbers yet to come out became fewer, the premiums rose day by day.

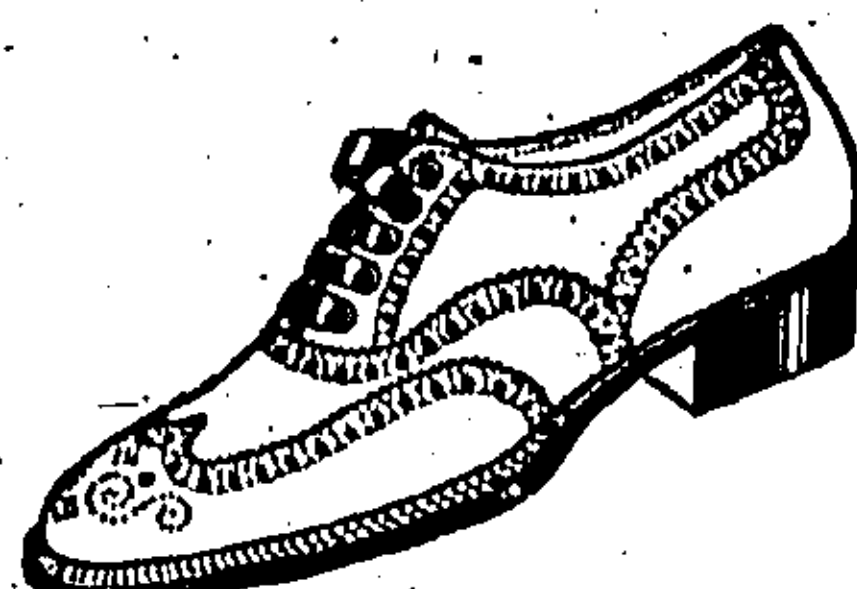
The lottery offices were crowded with poor people during the hours of drawing, and men known as "carrier-pigeons," posted at short intervals between a particular lottery office and the Guildhall, forming a sort of human telegraph wire, quickly conveyed news of the numbers as they were drawn. At the sight of a lucky insurer receiving his money, a group would tear off their waistcoats, and women their petticoats, to form a parcel for the pawnbroker, the proceeds of which could be pooled to take out an "insurance."

It is not necessary to give further details of the demoralising effect of this form of gambling. They can be imagined.

Those who are opposed to the legalisation of lotteries to-day would have this comfort if they were "set up" again—the frightful evils arising from insuring numbers, the memory of which is burnt deep in the mind of the nation, would be absent. Never again will a great lottery in this country be drawn to a finish; subscribers will know their fate within an hour or two.

The star before-Paramount signed him for work in an all-talking and all-singing picture. Jeannette MacDonald, the lovely royal niece of Louis XI and the beloved of Francis Villon (Dennis King) in this gorgeous all-Technicolour, singing romance which comes to the Central Theatre on Saturday,

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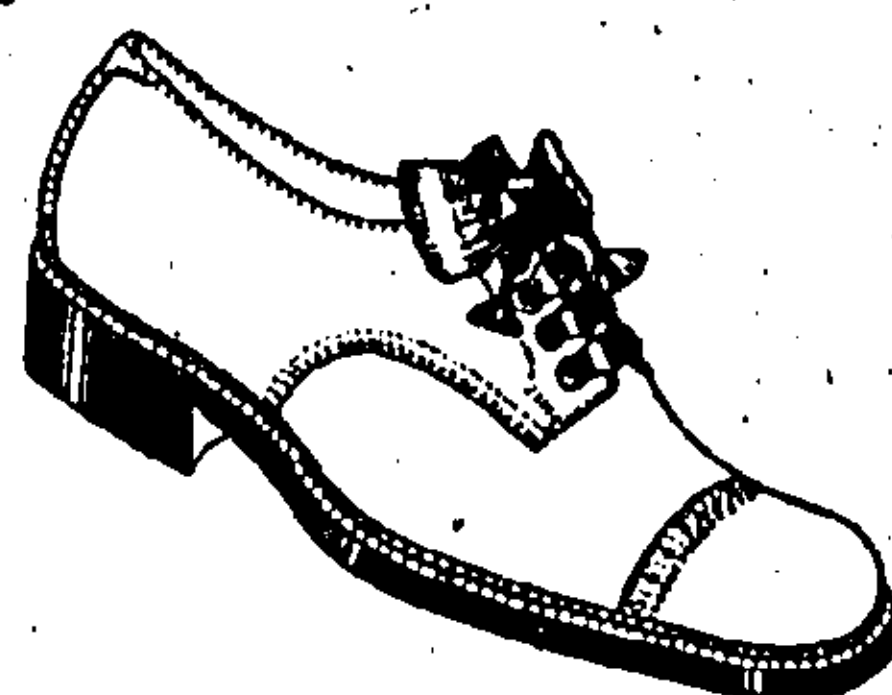
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BRADMAN'S BIG STAND
WITH JACKSON.

DOUBLE CENTURY.

Adelaide, Dec. 29.
In a Sheffield match which started here yesterday New South Wales ran up the huge total of 610 in their opening innings against South Australia. Bradman (258) and Jackson (106) scored 354 runs for the second wicket. Grimmett, who bowled well throughout, finished with an analysis of five wickets for 180 runs. South Australia had lost six wickets for 140 runs when play closed to-day. Of that total Nitschke had contributed 169.

Victoria v. Queensland.

At Melbourne, Victoria opened with a score of 474 against Queensland in their Sheffield Shield match which started here yesterday. Ryder, the former Australian Test captain, scored 114 and Rigg contributed 124. Other scorers were a Beckett (92) and O'Brien (56).

Queensland failed badly in reply, scoring only 103. Ironmonger had five wickets for 25 runs. Following on Queensland had scored five runs without loss when stumps were drawn today.

LOCAL CRICKET.

NAVAL TEAM DEFEAT THE R.A.S.C.

In a friendly match with a Naval team on the Hongkong C. C. ground yesterday, the R. A. S. C. were defeated by 31 runs. The Navy took the first lease of the wicket, the military team ran up 133 runs, towards which Pamplin (30) was the highest contributor. Jones followed with 26 runs and Major Aylmer and Cadman also entered double figures. Aylmer was the most successful Naval bowler. The running between the wickets of the military men left much to be desired, and this cost them three good wickets.

An enterprising knock for 65 runs by Dixon helped the Naval men to top their opponents' score. Together with Nash (29), he was associated in a first wicket partnership which produced 91 runs, when Nash had to leave, getting his leg in front of a straight one from Fry. Pooley (23) and Aylmer (27) made a stand for the ninth wicket which produced 44 runs. Pamplin returned the best analysis with six wickets for ten runs apiece.

Scores.—

R. A. S. C.			
Major Langmaid, run out	8		
Lt. Marshall, b Dixon	6		
Lt. Cadman, c Benwell, b Aylmer	19		
Major Aylmer, c and b Aylmer	1		
Lt. Fry, run out	15		
W. O. Pamplin, b Aylmer	30		
Pte. Mackay, b Aylmer	1		
Dvr. Jones, run out	26		
Lt. Cpl. Simpson, b Aylmer	5		
Pte. Sayer, c Pooley, b Dixon	1		
Dvr. Doyle, not out	3		
Extras	19		
Total	133		

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Putman	5	3	12	—
Dixon	10	5	24	2
Aylmer	20	6	40	6
Nash	6	1	19	—
Pooley	2	1	2	—
Pratt	2	—	7	—

Navy.

Nash, lb.w., b Fry	29
Dixon, c Aylmer, b Pamplin	05
Pratt, c Mackay, b Pamplin	10
Currie, c Doyle, b Fry	12
Taylor, b Fry	0
Adams, st. Aylmer, b Pamplin	0
Pooley, c Simpson, b Pamplin	23
Benwell, c and b Pamplin	0
Putman, b Pamplin	0
Aylmer, b Fry	27
Bradley, not out	0
Extras	2
Total	164

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Simpson	9	4	1	—
Fry	17	4	07	4
Pamplin	12	11	60	6

Recreio Team for Saturday.

The following will represent the Recreio in a friendly match against the Indian R.C. on Saturday at King's Park.—J. J. Gutierrez, H. A. Alves, H. M. Xavier, C. M. Sousa, J. H. Figueiredo, L. J. Silva, G. A. Gutierrez, A. F. Pereira, H. A. Barros, F. J. Remedios and F. H. Carvalho.

K.C.C. Team.

The following will represent the K.C.C. 1st XI in their League match against the I.R.C. on the K.C.C. ground on Saturday.—J. C. Lyle, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, F. Goodwin, W. Braco, F. Zimmern, W. C. Hung, G. C. Burnett, F. E. Lawrence, N. A. E. Mackay and R. A. Carroll.

FANLING RACES.

ENTRIES FOR JANUARY
MEETING.

DRAFT PROGRAMME.

The draft programme and entries for the January Meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club, which is to be held at Kwantli on Sunday, January 18, are appended:
The Winter Stakes, 1½ Miles. For China ponies that have started twice in a Steeplechase at Kwantli and not won since 1st January, 1930. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners \$100; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.—Carbine (184), Diana (158), Fanling Star (152), Mr. Siegler (161), Penhole (152).
The January Hurdle Race, 1½ Miles. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners to carry 5 lbs. for each hurdle race and/or steeplechase won since October 1st, 1930. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.—Dialcord (158), Fifty Fifty (155), Gay Caballero (161), Glorious Stag (158), Marquis Hall (163), Mike (161), Montana (169), November (168), One Third (158), Royal Flush (155), San Francisco (158), Sergeant Murphy (163), Target (171), Yankee (161).

The Shatin Handicap Steeplechase, 1½ Miles. For China ponies. Top Weight 170 lbs. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.—As You Like It (160), Blue Boy (156), Fifty Fifty (155), Montana (170), November (170), Royal Flush (155), San Francisco (158), Target (163), Tarnborg (150), The Goods (150), The Partridge (156).

The Yunnan Handicap. A flat race of 1 Mile. For China ponies that have been classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club in "C" and "D" classes. Winner: \$125; 2nd \$75; 3rd \$40.—Andantino (130), As You Like It (154), Christmas Belle (171), City Hall (152), Ploughman (145), Shiny Pearl (133), Sunning (148), The Partridge (161), Zephyr (155). If the Top Weight does not accept, all weights to be raised by ten pounds.

The Tally Ho Steeplechase, (Unofficial), 1½ Miles. For China ponies certified by the Master of the Drag as having been regularly hunted this season. Winners since October, 1st 1930 of a Steeplechase, Hurdle Race and/or Flat Race barred. Weight 168 lbs. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25. Post Entries \$5.00.

The New Year Maidens, A Steeplechase of 1 Mile. For China ponies that have never won a steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at Kwantli this season allowed 5 lbs. Winner: \$100; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.—Carbine (159), Chama (161), Christmas Belle (158), City Hall (153), Country Club (163), Diana (153), Fifty Fifty (155), Gay Caballero (156), Glorious Stag (153), Heretofore (150), Kiriabilli (161), Mr. Siegler (156), One Third (153), The Goods (156), Zephyr (155), Yankee (161).

CLUB'S LUCKY WIN.

ARMY HOCKEY TEAM BEATEN IN SHIELD.

The Club were fortunate in defeating the Army in the Shield competition yesterday by 3 goals to 2, but the latter can be blamed for not forcing home advantages derived from territorial supremacy. The Army forwards displayed distinct ineptitude to shoot accurately, and played far too much for position, thus allowing the speedy Club backs to nip in and save some awkward situations. This was especially pronounced in the second half, when the Club were for three parts of the exchange completely on the defensive. The Army might easily have scored three or four times during this period, but they frittered away their opportunities.

Two surprise goals in the first five minutes of the game also went a long way towards giving the Club the successful issue, for the Army never recovered from this unexpected reverse, and it appeared to have its psychological effect, as revealed in the subsequent play of the losers.

The game throughout was fast, but not particularly scientific. Rush methods were largely adopted by the Club, and the fact that they succeeded reflected no glory on either them or their opponents. The Army were distinctly more clever in mid-field, but they could advance no further than this, which accounted solely for their defeat. At half time the Club led by the odd goal in three, Francis and H. Owen Hughes having netted in quick succession in the opening movements, and Lieut. Christian replied for the Service side.

ARMY TOURISTS.

WORCESTERS WIN HOCKEY AT SHANGHAI.

The hockey game between the Hongkong Army team and the Worcester-shires on the Hockey Club ground at Shanghai did not come up to expectations. The Worcester-shires turned out at full strength and proved to be much superior to their opponents. It was evident by the slow manner in which Hongkong reacted to attacks that their "sea-legs" were still with them, and as was later learned, the Hockey Club ground, hard and dry, proved to be very different from those at Hongkong, conditions were all in favour of the winners by 4-1.

The line-up of Hongkong was as follows: Stacey; Kennick and Hay; Gardner, Tyler and Burn; Newlands, Taylor, Skipp, Jack and Hopkins.

Football Match.

The visiting Military team from Hongkong met the Worcester-shires, on the Police ground, and were easily defeated by five goals to one. They found the Worcester-shires in their best form, but for all that they gave a disappointing display, says the N. C. D. News. The fact that they have not previously played together as a team probably has a great deal to do with their showing, whilst some of them may not yet have found their "ground" legs again, and then lastly, but not least, it was New Year!

The visitors could not get moving at all, and lacking cohesion. The Worcester-shires on the other hand were combining beautifully, and played sparkling football.

The Hongkong forwards broke away on occasions but the combination was weak. The game was apt to be one-sided and the Worcester-shires did not touch the ball until after half an hour had elapsed.

Altogether on the right wing was about the best of the Hongkong forwards, being very fast, but his centres lacked power.

The interval arrived with the Worcester-shires two goals to nil in the lead. In the second half the Hongkong side were now playing more together, but the forwards did not combine well when approaching goal.

The teams lined up as follows:—Worcesters: Phillips, Eggleston, Porter, Stanley, Hopkins, Taylor, Ainslie, Shaw, Long, Bird and Dunn.

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5.30-6.30 p.m. Ray of Concert from Tia Helena May Institute.

6.30-7.15 p.m. From The Studio-Children's Programme.

7.15-7.35 p.m. Band Selections.

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Song Serenade (Schubert).

Louise Homer (Contralto). 6703.

Pianoforte Solo-Halla (Delibes).

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Wilhelm Bachhaus. 6582.

Song Absent (Glenn-Metcalf).

Richard Crooks (Tenor). 4000.

Orchestra-Blue Danube Waltz (Strauss).

Philadelpia Symphony Orch. 6584.

8.00 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

The Victor records used in the above programme were kindly supplied by Messrs. Tang Fook Piano Co.

LOCAL RUGBY.

CLUB "A" DEFEATED BY ARMY "A" SIDE.

It was a keen and fast game at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, when an Army "A" fifteen defeated a Club "A" side by a goal and three tries (13 points) to a goal and a penalty goal (8 points). The game was of the end-to-end order, though there were few really sparkling movements, even if the three on both sides seemed better together than in previous junior games.

Nevertheless, a lot of ground was gained on both sides by kicks ahead of the forwards; many of them would have been checked at their inception by a keener defence. Running across the ground instead of hard for the line also spoilt a number of chances, whilst the passing was sometimes too slow so that the attack was turned into defence.

Both sets of forwards started off well, though the Club did not have the better of the hooking in the first half. Peers improved in this respect as the game went on, and got the ball most of the time in the second half. Towards the end, however, both sides were tired, and the game became rather scrappy, with the Club doing most of the pressing in the loose.

King and Mills combined fairly well at half for the Club, but Lew dropped a lot of passes, though Plummer was safe, as was Fox, at full-back; Ferguson had little chance to make a straightforward dash for the line, but Johnson, on the left, did quite well, kicking nicely to touch and being twice unlucky in not getting over the line.

For the Army, Frankham played well at back, and kicked better and longer than previously, and was safe in defence. Douglas, on the right, played well as the game progressed, and Hamilton got in a lot of good touch-finding kicks, though he could not get away with the ball very often. Parker made one or two tricky runs, as did Holmes, but there was some fumbling of passes. Rees played at scrum-half for the Army, and did well, though inclined to run across sometimes when his three were well placed.

Costello played nicely at fly-half, and got rid of the ball when he saw that he could not make ground himself. The Army pack was strengthened by the addition of P. O. Pascoe, of the Navy, and they fought well in the tight and the loose. Both packs tired towards the end, but Milne-Day, Peers, Buttress and Atkinson for the Club, and McKellar, Trant, Vowles and Graham for the Army, were in the thick of the game most of the time.

Peers kicked a nice penalty goal early in the first half, and Cochrane got over for the Club later in the first half, for Peers to convert from a rather difficult angle. The Army scored three times in the first half, Parker getting over near the flag, Rees doubling behind the posts for Hamilton to maulise, and Holmes ran over later. In the second half Douglas dribbled the ball past Fox and touched down for a try that was not converted.

Fixtures Arranged.

The soccer division of the H.K.F.C. have co-operated with the rugby division with regard to a request for the use of the ground for a second and final trial game, and this will be played on Saturday, several Saturday games of rugby lately, and this further concession of a soccer date will be much appreciated.

The following Saturday will see the commencement of the triangular tournament, when the Club will meet the Army, the game commencing at 2.30 p.m. On February 8 the Club will play the Navy in this tournament.



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Murder At Bridge

By ANNE AUSTIN, author of "THE BLACK PIGEON"
THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, JANUARY 8, 1931

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

When "Bonnie" Dundee, attached to the district attorney's office, intrudes on Penny Crain, district attorney's secretary, he has no idea that he will remember later with keen interest everything she says. Penny informs him that she is going to the Battery Bridge-luncheon of the Forster Alumnae League Club, given by an honorary member, Juniusa Selim.

Dundee learns from Penny of her father's business failure and disappearance. The Crain house, built as a show place in his ill-fated real estate venture, is rented by Nita from Judge Marshall.

When Dundee drives Penny to the luncheon, Nita first looks at him for a moment, but is frightened on learning he is a detective. Later that afternoon Penny telephones Dundee that Nita has been murdered at bridge. Arriving at the Selim house, Dundee finds Captain Strawn, his former chief, already in charge and hears that Nita has been shot from behind through the heart as she sat at her dressing table.

Strawn thinks she was shot by a gunman, using a gun with a flash, through the window directly opposite the table. Footprints beneath the window confirm this theory. Dundee contends it is on the ground that Nita would have seen a stranger at the window in her mirror, and would not have gone on wondering.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

CHAPTER III.

Bonnie Dundee turned toward the tiny, bowed figure of the dead woman and stared at it long and thoughtfully before he answered: "I'm afraid, Captain Strawn, that there are only two explanations possible. The first, of course, is that Nita Selim was quite deaf or very near-sighted. I happen to know from having met her to-day—"

"You met her to-day?" Strawn interrupted incredulously.

Dundee explained briefly, then went on: "As I was saying I have good reason to know she was not deaf, but I can't say as to her being near-sighted, except that it is my observation that people who are extremely near-sighted do not have very wide eyes and no creases between the brows. I am fairly sure she did not wear glasses at all, because glasses worn even a few hours a day leave a mark across the nose or show pinched red spots on each side of the base of the nose."

"You must have had a good, hard look at her," Strawn gibed, his eyes twinkling, and his harsh, thin-lipped mouth pulling down at one corner in what he thought was a genial smile.

"I did," Dundee retorted, grinning back at this former chief, who well knew the boy's weakness for a pretty girl. "Well, conceding that she was neither deaf nor half-blind, she would necessarily have heard and seen her assailant before he shot her."

"What's the other explanation?" Strawn was becoming impatient.

"That the person who killed her was so well known to her, and his or her presence in this room so natural a thing that she paid no attention to his or her movements and was concentrating on the job of powdering her very pretty face."

"You mean—one of that gang of society folks in there?" and Strawn jerked a thumb toward the left side of the house.

"Very probably," Dundee agreed.

"But where's the gun?" Strawn argued. "I tell you my men—"

"This was a premeditated murder, of course," Dundee interrupted. "The Maxim silence—unless they are all lying about not hearing a shot—proves that. Silencers are damned hard to get hold of, but people with plenty of money can manage most things. And since the murder was premeditated, it is better to count on the fact that the murderer—or murderers—had planned a pretty safe hiding place for the gun and the silencer. . . . Oh, not necessarily in the house or even near the house," he hastened to assure Strawn, who was trying to break in. . . . By the way, how long after Mrs. Selim was killed was her death discovered? Or do you know?"

"I haven't been able to get much out of that bunch in there—not even out of Penelope Crain, who ought to be willing to help, seeing as how she works for the district attorney. But I guess she was waiting to spill it all to you, if she knows anything, so you and Sanderson will get all the credit."

"Now, look here, chief," Dundee protested, laying a hand on Strawn's shoulder as he reverted to the name by which he had addressed the head of the homicide squad for nearly a year, "we're going to be friends, aren't we? Same as always? We know pretty well how to work together, don't we? No use to begin pulling against each other."

"Guess so," Strawn growled, but he was obviously pleased and relieved. "Maybe you'd better have a crack at that crowd yourself. I hear Doc Price's car—always has a bum spark plug. I'll stick around with him until he gets going good on his job, then if you'll excuse me for butting in, I'll join your gang in the living room."

"And good luck to you, Bonnie," he added, to take the sting out of the bit of thrown-in sarcasm.

Dundee took the door he knew must lead into the central hall, but found himself in an enclosed section of it—a small foyer between the main hall and Nita Selim's bedroom. There was room for a telephone table and its chair, as well as for a half-length sofa, large enough for two to sit upon comfortably.

He paused to open the door across from the telephone table and found that it opened into a guests' closet, whose hangers and hat forms now held the outdoor clothing in which several women had arrived at the bridge-and-death party. Nice clothes—the smart but unostentatious hats and coats of moneyed people of good taste, he observed, a little enviously, before he opened the door which led out into the main hall which bisected the main floor of the house, until it reached Nita's room.

Another door in the section behind the staircase leading to the gabled second story next claimed his attention. Opening it, he discovered a beautifully fitted guests' lavatory. There was even a fully appointed dressing table for women's use, so that none of her guests had had the slightest excuse to invade the privacy of Mrs. Selim's bedroom and bath, unless specifically invited to do so.

Rather a well-planned house, this, Dundee concluded, as he closed the door upon the shining green porcelain fixtures, and walked slowly toward the wide archway that led from the hall into a large living room.

He had a curious reluctance to intrude upon that assembled and guarded company of Hamilton's "real society." They were all Penny's friends, and Penny was his friend.

But his first swift, all-seeing glance about the room reassured him. No hysterics here. These people brought race and breeding even into the presence of death. Whatever emotions had torn them when Nita Selim's body was discovered were almost unguessable now.

A stout, short woman of about 30 was tapping a foot nervously, as she talked to the man who was bending over her chair. . . . John C. Drake, that was. Dundee had met him, knew him to be a vice president of the Hamilton National Bank, in charge of the trust department. Penelope Crain was occupying a "love seat" with Lois Dunlap, the hands of the girl and of the woman clinging together for mutual comfort. And that tall, thin, oldish man, with the waxed grey moustache, must be Judge Hugo Marshall, and the pretty girl leaning trustingly against his shoulder must be his wife—Karen Marshall, who had jumped at her first proposal during her first season.

Yes, well-bred people, he concluded, as his eyes swept on, and then stopped, a little bewildered. Who was that man? He didn't belong somehow, and his hands trembled visibly as he tried to light a cigarette. Leaning—not nonchalantly, but actually for support—against the broadened, coral silk drapes of a pair of wide, long windows set in the east wall. Suddenly Dundee had it. . . . Broadway! This was no Hamiltonian, or comfortably rich and socially secure Middle-Westerner. Broadway in every line of his too-well-tailored clothes, in the polished smoothness of his dark hair. . . .

"Why, it's Mr. Dundee at last!" Penny cried, turning in the S-shaped seat before he had had time to finish his mental inventory of the room's occupants.

She jumped to her feet and threaded a swift way over Oriental rugs and between the two bridge tables, still occupying the centre of the big room, still cluttered with score pads, tally cards and playing cards.

"I've been wondering if you had stopped to have dinner first," she stuck one of her little thorns into him. Then, laying a hand on his arm, she faced the living room eagerly. "This is Mr. Dundee, folks—special investigator attached to the district attorney's office, and a grand detective. He solved the Hogarth murder case, you know, and the Hillcrest murder. And he's my friend, so I want you all to trust him—and tell him things without being afraid of him."

Then, rather ceremoniously but swiftly, she presented her friends—Judge and Mrs. Hugo Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Tracey Miles, Mrs. and Mrs. John C. Drake, Mrs. Dunlap, Janet Raymond, Polly Benle, Clive Hammond, and—

At that point Penny hesitated, then rather stiffly included the "Broadway man" as "Mr. Dexter Sprague—of New York."

"Thank you, Miss Crain," Dundee said. "Now will you please

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tell me, if you know, whether all those invited to both the bridge party and the cocktail party are here?"

Penny's face flamed. "Ralph Hammond, Clive's brother, hasn't come yet. . . . I—I rather imagine I've been 'stood up,'" she confessed, with a faint attempt at gaiety.

And Ralph Hammond was the man who had once belonged rather exclusively to Penny, and who, according to her own confession, had succumbed most completely to Nita Selim's charms! Dundee noted and filed the reflection for future reference.

"Please, Mr. Dundee, won't you detain us as short a time as possible?" Lois Dunlap asked, as she advanced toward him. "Mr. Dunlap is away on a fishing trip, and I don't like to leave my three youngsters too long. They are really too much of a handful for the nurse, over a period of hours."

"I shall detain all of you no longer than is absolutely necessary," Dundee told her gently, "but I am afraid I must warn you that I can't let you go home very soon—unless one or more of you has something of vital importance to tell—something which will

clear up or materially help to clear up this bad business." He paused, then asked curtly:

"I am to conclude that no one has anything at all to volunteer?"

There was no answer, more than a barely perceptible drawing together in self-defence of the minds and hearts of those who had been friends for so long.

"Very well," Dundee conceded abruptly. "Then I must put all of you through a routine examination, since every one of you is, of course, a possible suspect."

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BLACK DRAINED STREETS AT JOFFRE'S FUNERAL.

Paris, Jan. 7.
Marshal Joffre's body was transferred to Notre Dame Cathedral last night in preparation for the funeral to-day.
The streets along which the procession passed had a gloomy aspect, all the lamp-posts being draped with black, and all sky signs were extinguished, as a mark of respect. Instead of fixed bayonets, the guard surrounding the hearse bore torches.
On its way to the Cathedral, the hearse was driven under the Arc de Triomphe, to enable the body momentarily to rest beside that of the unknown soldier.
Impressive Scenes.

Later.
Hear frost scintillated upon the crepe-trimmed flags as, long before daylight, numerous precursors of the huge concourse to follow took up their stand for one of the greatest funerals of the century.

By 8.30 the square of the Cathedral of Notre Dame was packed as Ambassadors, Generals and statesmen pressed into the interior, where in front of the Marshal Joffre's coffin was not high on a black pedestal, covered with a tricolour, beneath a huge black canopy suspended from the roof.
At the conclusion of the impressive To Deum service, the procession formed, headed by mounted Republican Guards, after whom came detachments of the Coldstream Guards, American officers and Belgian infantry, after whom came two red-robed Cardinals and a score of purple-clad Bishops. Then followed the coffin-capped gun-carriage, flanked by an infantry escort, and followed by personal representatives of the foreign Chiefs of State, Diplomatic Corps and Deputies.

The whole cortege, like a variegated ribbon, moved to musical strains slowly through the sombre streets, on the three mile route to the Invalides, where the coffin was removed for the homage of a salute by members of the procession, who walked past.

Finally, accompanied by a privileged few, including the Marshal's relatives, the coffin passed within, to rest until it is taken later for burial at Louveciennes, in accordance with the Marshal's own request.—*Reuter.*

MISS AT Westminster.

London, Jan. 7.
A Requiem Mass for the late Marshal Joffre was held at Westminster Cathedral this morning.—*British Wireless.*

NO REDUCTION.

BRITISH BANKS GIVE SAME DIVIDEND.

London, Jan. 7.

The example of Lloyd's Bank in reducing its dividend has not been followed by three other members of the "Big Five" group—Barclay's, Midland and Westminster Banks. They have announced their dividends at the same figure as last year. Barclay's is paying "A" shares, and 14 per cent. on "B" and "C" shares. Midland will pay 18 per cent. on all classes.

The maximum of the Westminster is 12½ per cent. on one sterling share and 20 per cent. on four. The decision to maintain the dividend rate is a matter of policy, since all three banks are showing profits appreciably less than in 1929.—*Reuter.*

WELCOMED BACK TO HONGKONG.

MISS F. C. WOO THANKED FOR SPLENDID EFFORT.

The success which attended Miss F. C. Woo's efforts in America to raise funds on behalf of St. Paul's Girls' College, of which she is the principal has won for her the gratitude of all supporters of the institution and yesterday she was the guest of honour at a reception given by the Council, Staff and Pupils in the Lee Hysan Hall of the College.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Victoria (Chairman of the Council) presided while others present included members of the Council and a large number of supporters of the College.

After tea had been served, the Bishop, addressing the gathering, said: "I want very briefly to say first how glad we are to have Miss Woo back again here; secondly I want to congratulate her very much indeed on the splendid result of her visit and to say how thankful we are; and then thirdly I want to say how grateful we are to Miss Kotewall for all she has done during Miss Woo's absence."

Wonderful Efforts Recounted.

Speaking in Chinese, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall (Vice Chairman of the Council) said: "Some years ago the College was short of funds to the extent of \$180,000, although that amount had been promised but was not paid owing to the strike and boycott of 1925. The result was that loans had to be resorted to for the purpose of completing a new College building, and many necessary improvements on the College programme had to be suspended. Miss Woo fortunately volunteered her services to go abroad to raise funds for the College."

Some expressed doubt as to the success of such a venture, but the members of the College Council, knowing Miss Woo as they did, at once approved of the suggestion and to-day we witness Miss Woo's success. At the time the Directors would have been more than satisfied if Miss Woo had been able to raise \$100,000; but she has actually remitted \$102,000, besides having given \$310,000 promised but not yet paid, which at to-day's exchange will mean another \$40,000. (Applause).

"We see the result, but we do not realise to its fullest extent, the enormous trouble which Miss Woo must have gone through in achieving this success. Accompanied only by her mother she visited practically all the important cities in America, and in addition visited Canada, Honolulu and Japan. Wherever she went she was received and welcomed by all classes of people. When she was in Washington she was twice invited to the White House and she was also invited to be present at the ceremony of the Inauguration of President Hoover. Although she had been only ten weeks in Canada, and at a period of trade depression, she succeeded in raising \$30,000 Hongkong currency."

Encountered Obstacles.

She encountered certain obstacles on entering Canada, but the people were not long in learning to understand and appreciate her. She was presented when in the City of Windsor, Ontario, with the freedom of that city. This unusual distinction has brought honour not only to Miss Woo but also to the school which she loves so much. In addition to the money which she has collected she succeeded in

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securing twenty free scholarships, which means that in future twenty poor students will receive free education at this College.

"I should like to take this opportunity of saying a word about the little lady who carried on the work of the School during the twenty-six months that Miss Woo was away on duty. Although that lady happens to be my own sister, I think I ought not to allow that fact to prevent me from saying that she did her work with efficiency and devotion to duty."

Miss Woo is now back with us. She has accomplished what she set out to do. The College is now relieved of its financial anxiety, and, what is more important, it is able to take up once more the programme of reform and improvement which it had perforce to suspend a few years ago. On behalf of the members of the College Council and the staff and students I tender to Miss Woo most sincere thanks. (Applause).

Miss Woo in reply, stated that what she had achieved was really very little and would not have been brought about had it not been for the unstinted support of Miss Kotewall and other members of the College Council. She told the audience of her experiences, and pointed out how difficult it had been to enlist the support of people who were not clear about the aims and aspirations of St. Paul's Girls' College.

An excellent concert of musical items then followed, those contributing being Mr. Li Chor-chi, Mrs. Fleming and the students.

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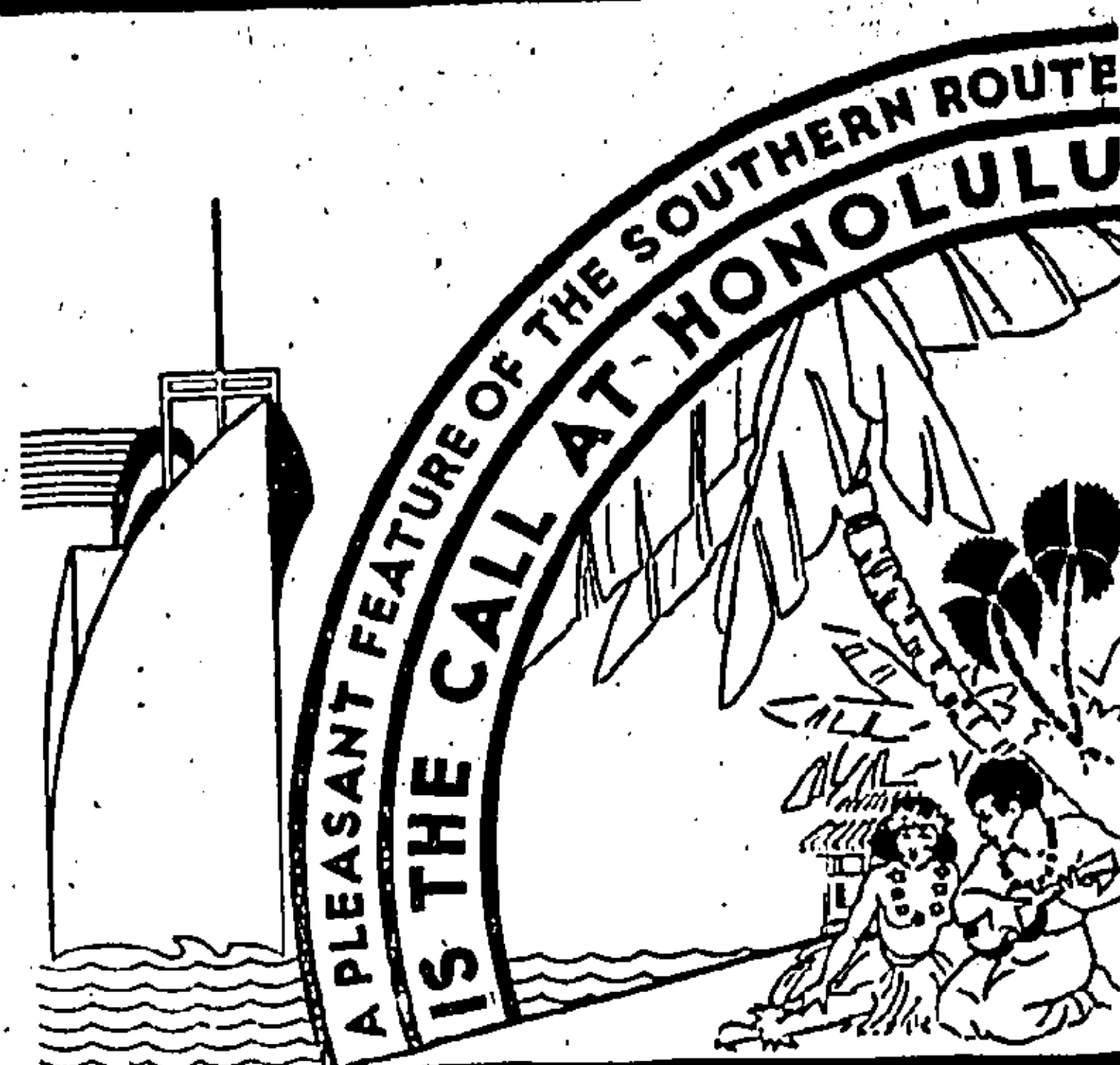
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